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AN CRISIS (Episode Twelve) RIDDLE In 48 Hours Rumours

ULTIMATUM TALE IN NEW FORM

RUMOURS OF A RUSSO-GERMAN CRISIS CONTINUE TO BE WIDESPREAD AND PERSISTENT THAT EVEN THE RUSSIANS IN ANKARA APPEAR WORRIED, THOUGH THE BEST-INFORMED CIRCLES STILL ARE OF OPINION THAT THE RUMOUR CAMPAIGN IS ONE OF GERMANY'S WAYS OF PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE SOVIET.

Strange Contrast Moscow's Focus-Pocus

Messages from Moscow and Berlin yesterday presented a curious contrast. Moscow radio, while emphasising the Red Army's readiness to ignore the German ultimatum, was at the same time ignoring the German ultimatum.

Moscow radio announced a second day in succession of the holiday season in the city, the Black Sea coast and the Crimean isthmus.

On the other hand, a flood of fresh rumours and reports were allowed to report a German ultimatum to the Soviet Union, which was not informed of the progress of the negotiations.

Immense Air Armadas

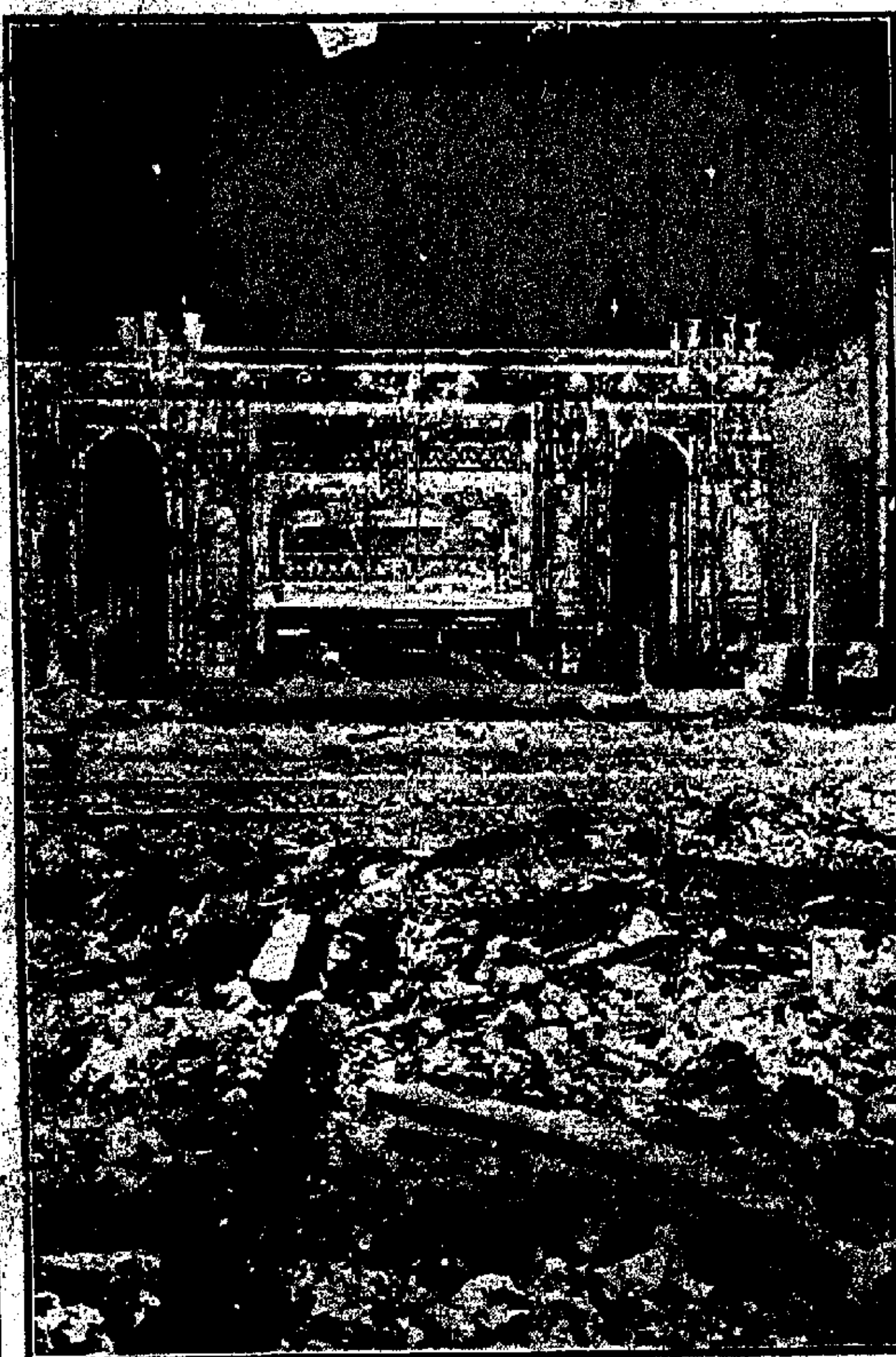
BROADCASTING FROM AIRA EARLY YESTERDAY NIGHT, MARTIN AGON, CORRESPONDENT OF NATIONAL BROADCAST-CORPORATION OF AMERICA, SAID THAT THE GERMANS WERE ORDERING TO "A COM- PLETELY RELIABLE SOURCE, THE GERMAN AIR COMMANDERS ARE IN A POSITION TO LAUNCH AN IMMENSE AIR ARMADA AGAINST FRANCE."

KIEL HEAVILY BOMBED

Aircraft of the Bomber Command were "out in force on Friday night, with the port of Kiel as their main target," in the words of the official communiqué.

No docks at Dunkirk and the town were also bombed. During daylight an enemy vessel was bombed and destroyed off the coast of the Channel. A detachment of aircraft of the Bomber Command is missing. A British aircraft is missing.

BOMB HAVOC IN THE ABBEY



The savage May attack on London by the Nazis when bombs were rained indiscriminately, brought destruction to churches, hospitals and private dwellings. Westminster Abbey suffered severely through incendiaries. Photo shows the Altar at Westminster Abbey covered with debris when part of the roof caved in. (Copyright, Fox.)

Outward Quiet

Outwardly Russia is unperturbed by the crisis rumours sweeping Europe, says the I.N.S. Moscow correspondent, and there are no signs of an emergency in the capital.

The streets are thronged by men who would be called up in a general mobilisation.—International News Service.

Finland's Clamp

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The President of Finland yesterday issued a decree placing all news services under State control. All publications henceforth will be required to submit to military censorship.

Crisis "Likely"

The Ankara correspondent of the New York "Times" quotes diplomatic circles there as saying a Soviet-German crisis is "extremely likely," with a possible invasion of Russia by the Nazis. Some diplomats in Ankara, however, think Stalin will accede to the German demands and will sign a definite alliance with Berlin.

RAID HAVOC IN BERLIN

The havoc wrought in Berlin by R.A.F. raids was described in New York yesterday by the columnist Lozareff and Rost, in their syndicated column.

It is impossible, they say, to walk in any direction through Berlin without seeing one building or 50 wholly or partially destroyed.

Military objectives hit include an army provisions depot in the Bellevue quarter. THE GLEISDRIECK STATION AND THE SIEMENS TELEPHONE CO. HAVE BEEN HIT. The moral effect of the bombing is described as "devastating." In the poorer districts women don't go to bed.—Reuter.

FURTHER AZORES REINFORCEMENTS

Further reinforcements have been sent to the Azores according to a Lisbon despatch to the Vichy news agency yesterday. A detachment of artillery with material was sent from Lisbon in the Portuguese liner "Carvalho Araujo."—Reuter.

AMID THE WELTER OF RUMOUR: STALIN STIFFENS

CONCRETE NEWS of the Russo-German situation is still lacking and commentators in the British press confess difficulty in probing the truth through the mass of rumour and conjecture which is daily presented to them to sift.

One cause of uncertainty is that the bulk of reports bearing on this situation spring from Axis sources, while Moscow maintains the strictest silence and adopts an attitude of surprise at talk of German threats.

Nevertheless, as "The Times" diplomatic correspondent wrote yesterday, "although Moscow may be calm, tension grows in all countries lying to the west of the Soviet Union."

The correspondent mentions a report that the Finnish National Defence Minister has ordered all reservists up to the age of 44 to report to the military authorities, and continues:

Pontoons Gathered

"Bucharest has just announced the mobilisation of new grades of specialists and technicians."

"PRIVATE SOURCES REPORT THAT GERMAN TROOPS ARE STILL ARRIVING IN GREAT NUMBERS AND MANY PONTOONS FOR BRIDGE BUILDING HAVE BEEN GATHERED IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF GALATZ AND BRAILA."

"German and Rumanian Staff officers appear to have gathered at Snagov, in the forests 15 miles from Bucharest, where Field-Marshal List has been lately."

"Day by day the Rumanian radio gives out military marches, patriotic poems and hints about decisive coming events." "It is against such a background

AN UNEXPECTED TRIBUTE

Signor Ansaldi, writing in the "Telegrafo," Count Ciano's newspaper, pays a tribute to the toughness and stubbornness of the British troops in the fighting around Sollum.—Reuter.

REICHSTAG MEETING RUMOURS

Rumours that the Reichstag is about to be summoned are current in Berlin, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Die Tat."

The paper adds that the rumours are unconfirmed but, if true, will be connected with "sensational developments."

Political observers in Zurich consider Germany does not want war with the Soviet but hopes definitely to neutralise her for the remainder of the war by a pact which possibly has already been concluded or is on the verge of conclusion.—Reuter.

Officers in the fighting services. One, Rudolf Hess, is a military prisoner in Britain.

"Russia's determination to resist has also stiffened considerably in the last few weeks. Indeed, there appears to be a wave of self-confidence spreading across the country and a growing appreciation of the dangers of excessive appeasement."—Reuter.

Little Hope For Crew Of Submarine

THE FATE OF THE CREW OF THE UNITED STATES SUBMARINE O-9, WHICH FAILED TO RISE TO THE SURFACE AFTER DEEP-DIVING TRIALS OFF PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE, IS APPARENTLY SEALED BY THE ANNOUNCEMENT ON FRIDAY THAT EFFORTS TO PLACE A LINE AROUND THE VESSEL WOULD BE SUSPENDED UNTIL YESTERDAY.

The rescue ship Falcon, after 10 hours of searching, signalled the Navy Yard: "Picked up a painted cork, pieces of the submarine's deck grating and oil slick (film). There are air bubbles from a depth of 67 fathoms."

It is not known whether the men in the submarine were trying to help the searchers or whether the submarine was breaking under a weight over twice as much as it was built to stand. The message said two grapnels had been attached to the submarine and an attempt to send divers down was intended yesterday morning, when their equipment was to arrive.

Unprecedented Depth

Naval officials at Washington said an attempt would be made to salvage the submarine despite the unprecedented depth of 400 feet, where pressure is 176 lb. to the square inch.

The attempt would be made in order to recover the bodies and discover if possible the reason for the plunge. Hitherto the greatest depth at which salvage operations have been performed was about 300 feet, when the F-4 was recovered off Hawaii in 1918.—Reuter.

Automatic Lungs

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE QUOTES THE NAVY DEPARTMENT AS SAYING THAT THE OFFICERS AND CREW OF THE TRAPPED SUBMARINE WERE EQUIPPED WITH AUTOMATIC LUNGS TO PERMIT BREATHING WHILE ASCENDING TO THE SURFACE BY CABLE.

The O-9 is more than 20 years old and was being tested for reconditioning.

TO PURIFY HIS CONVICTIONS!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The purpose of Wang Ching-wei's visit to Japan has at last been revealed. Colonel Noguchi, Chief of the Intelligence section of the Japanese General Staff, declared yesterday: "Wang Ching-wei has come to Japan to purify his own convictions!"—International News Service.

BIG DAY ATTACK BY R.A.F.

Ten German planes were destroyed during an R.A.F. daylight offensive across the Channel yesterday which resulted in clashes between our bombers and escorting fighters and Nazi fighters.

It was the fifth big day attack on targets in Northern France during the week.

One British bomber and two fighters were lost but the pilot of the English coast.

Our planes flew over to France in wave after wave, and explosions were heard from the English coast.

Earlier in the day a Messerschmitt 109 was brought down by a British fighter after it had crossed the Kent coast.—Reuter.

TURKEY'S ASSURANCE

ASSURANCES THAT FOREIGN TROOPS WOULD NEVER BE ALLOWED TO CROSS TURKEY, HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY THE TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER, DR. SARAJOGLU, TO THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR, SIR HUGH KNATCHBULL-HUGHES.

It is understood the Turkish-German negotiations were held up for some time because the Turks flatly refused to grant the right of transport of foodstuffs across Turkey to troops stationed elsewhere.—Reuter.



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SAFETY FOR CREWS OF TANKERS

Friendly Hints To Chungking On Finance

AXIS AIRCRAFT LOSSES

Axis aircraft losses are stated to have been nearly double those of the Empire air forces in the Middle East during the week ending dusk on June 19.

Widespread air operations were carried out during the week, in which the Australian and South African Air Forces cooperated with the R.A.F. Benghazi was bombed seven times and Gazala six times, and during the fourth attack on Benghazi a violent explosion near the Cathedral Mosque was followed by a fire visible 90 miles away.

An authoritative British compilation shows that in all Middle Eastern operations 66 Axis planes were destroyed at a cost of 37 British machines, four of whose pilots safely returned. —Reuter.

R.A.F. 'PLANE FORCED DOWN

AN R.A.F. PLANE MADE A FORCED LANDING ON THE SHORE AT ROSTRO, NEAR CAPE FINISTERRE, IN SPAIN, ACCORDING TO A CORUNNA DESPATCH TO THE VICTORY NEWS AGENCY YESTERDAY.

Two of the three members of the crew were slightly injured. After treatment of their injuries they were taken to the naval authorities' headquarters. —Reuter.

BRITISH INTERESTS IN GERMANY

With reference to an announcement of the German news agencies regarding the closing of United States consular offices in Germany and German-occupied territories, and to a report that Italy intends to take similar steps, it is understood that if the British Government are informed by the United States Government that they are unable, owing to the closure of their consulates, to continue to protect British interests in a certain area, the British Government will take immediate steps to ensure that protection of British interests in those areas is assumed by some other power. —British Wireless.

Pact Expected To Be Used Against Soviet Russia

THE IMPRESSION IS GROWING IN ANKARA THAT THE GERMAN-TURKISH TREATY WILL BE USED AS AN INSTRUMENT BY GERMANY AGAINST RUSSIA, AND IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR, VON PAPPEN, IN NEGOTIATING THE AGREEMENT, OFTEN REFERRED TO THE DANGER WHICH RUSSIA CONSTITUTED FOR TURKEY.

According to a report which is going the rounds of the cafes in Ankara, Molotov, the Soviet Premier, when he was in Berlin last November, asked the Germans for an alliance.

He is said to have stated that Russia wanted naval and air bases in the Dardanelles and the cession of a strip of Turkish Thrace to Bulgaria.

The Germans are said to have refused owing to their friendship for Turkey "and because they did not want Russia meddling in the Balkans."

This story, however, ignores the fact that Russia refused to join the Axis Pact despite Axis pleading and the most tempting offers.

It is reported in Ankara that the Italians were also anxious to sign a treaty of friendship with Turkey but the Germans vetoed the proposal when Rome asked Berlin's permission.

The Turkish newspapers continue to emphasise that Turkey's policy is unchanged and that her alliance with Britain stands firm.

British Alliance

The Deputy Yalchin, writing in "Yeni Sabah" says: "Turkey remains entirely faithful to her profound and sincere friendship for her British allies."

"The Turkish-German friendship and Treaty of Non-Aggression are totally unrelated to the Axis Pact and the new order which the Axis powers intend to establish."

The "Cumhuriyet" reaffirms Turkey's determination to defend her own integrity.

"We are Britain's ally and Germany's friend," the paper writes, "but we remain firmly determined to oppose with arms any challenge or attack against our frontier." —Reuter.

NEW YORK A.R.P.

New York has already enrolled its first 2,000 A.R.P. wardens. —Reuter.

HONG KONG PROPOSAL TO CHUNGKING

Chinese business interests in Hong Kong have submitted a proposal to the Chinese Government to appoint commercial attaches or trade commissioners to Australia and other countries in the southern Pacific.

Aim would be to assist the development of trade relations between China and these countries and give the necessary assistance to Chinese merchants overseas. It was learned in Chungking.

It is understood that the Government, in reply, stated, the proposal at present is under careful consideration by the authorities concerned. —Reuter.

GIRLS DETAINED

Between 20 and 30 Chinese women and girls hanging around and in the bars in Wanchai, were taken into custody and detained at the No. 2 Police Station last night.

About a month ago similar action was taken against some 100 women and girls in the same neighbourhood, and they were not released until the following morning. No charge was preferred against them.

HOTEL INCIDENT

A 21-year-old Chinese youth attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat in the Sun Sun Hotel, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. He was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital and his condition last night was described as fair.

CREW HOLD UP U.S. FREIGHTER

THE UNITED STATES FREIGHTER GREYLOCK HAS BEEN UNABLE TO SAIL AS SCHEDULED FROM NEW YORK TO CAPTOWN AS THE CREW REFUSED TO SIGN ON WHEN THE OWNERS REJECTED THEIR DEMAND FOR A BONUS AND A LARGER WAR RISKS INSURANCE.

The owners said the cost would amount to about \$800 a month per man.

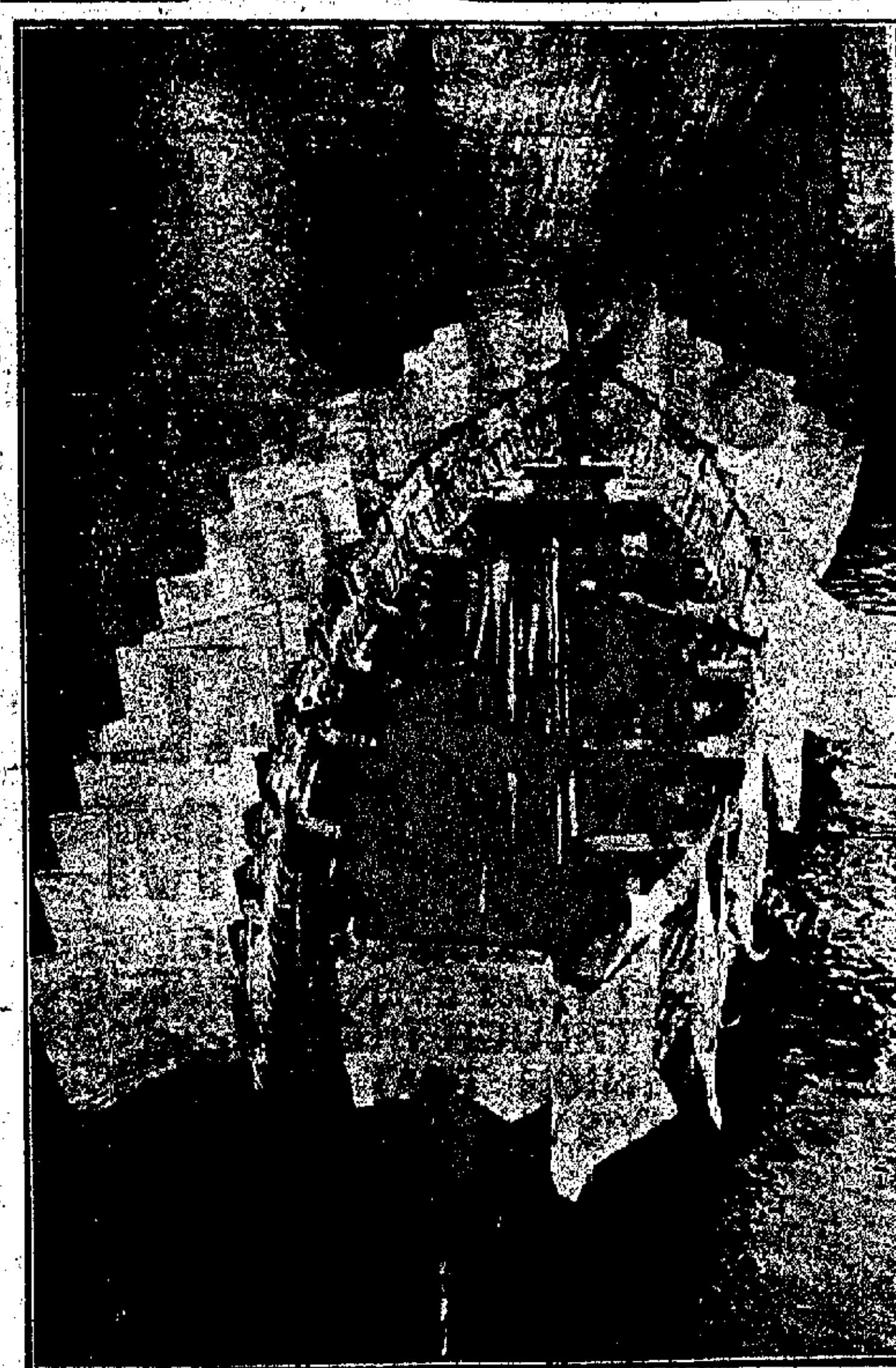
The crew, all Union members, cited the sinking of the Robin Moor as justification for their demand. —Reuter.

NAZI MOVE IN IRAN

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

It is reported in London that Germany is negotiating non-aggression pacts with Iran and Afghanistan.

Development of natural resources in Germany's favour and the passage of German troops are said to be the German requests. Idea is to hit Russian plan to gain a foothold in those countries. —International News Service.



An ingenious device for protecting crews of torpedoed tankers who frequently find their lifeboats surrounded by a sea of flame has been adopted by certain shipping firms. It consists of a number of asbestos screens with small flaps fitted on the sides of the boat, which can be used as a shield against any flames that endanger the crew. They can be supplemented with additional protection covering the hull of the boat down to waterline. Photo shows the asbestos screens. They can be utilised as a shield or as sails.

SPIRIT OF THE NEW ZEALANDERS UNQUENCHABLE

THE SPIRIT OF THE New Zealand troops who fought in Greece and Crete was unquenchable, declared Mr. Peter Fraser, New Zealand Premier, speaking at a press conference in London yesterday.

They all considered that given satisfactory air support one New Zealander was equal to at least two Germans on the ground. With anything like parity in the air they could sweep the Germans back.

Mr. Fraser said there never was a problem discussed more fully and in greater detail than the question of the New Zealand forces going to help Greece. He was as convinced as he had always been that it was the right thing to do.

There were still problems in regard to Crete that required to be cleared up but he did not ask for anything like an inquiry, only for a commonsense plan of action to be worked out which had arisen and overcome whatever weaknesses there were.

He personally was anxious to obtain a well-balanced and scientific analysis of the Crete position so as to give the people of New Zealand the facts. He was convinced similar circumstances were never likely to recur.

'Planes, 'Planes, 'Planes

First requirement was aircraft and then more aircraft and still more aircraft to cooperate closely with the ground forces.

Mr. Fraser paid a glowing tribute to the work of the New Zealand forces in Crete and expressed the warmest gratitude to the British Navy for their work in evacuating the troops. —Reuter.

Mr. Fraser said he hoped to see Mr. Churchill during the week-end and his talks with the Cabinet would begin as soon as possible.

Unending Admiration

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OUTLINING THE WORK of the Currency Stabilisation Board, Mr. Manuel Fox, American member of the Board, in a speech before the Chinese National Finance Conference in Chungking, stated: "The Stabilisation Board has its own small contribution to make to your economic efforts."

"Obviously the stabilisation of currency relationships will be of great value in facilitating China's external trade, in discouraging speculation and in maintaining the prestige of the Chinese currency in all areas in which it circulates."

"By so doing we hope it will have favourable repercussions on the international financial situation, both from the point of view of the Government's fiscal situation and from the point of view of exercising a restraining influence on your and other inter-related economic factors."

"But the functions of the Board transcend the sphere of currency relationships. The Board is a symbol of friendship and cooperation between two free and independent countries. The great Democracy of the West is happy and fortunate to cooperate with the great Democracy of the East."

Ties Of Friendship

"The success of our work will be measured only partly by the specific work we do in the sphere of monetary and financial relations. Our work will have been well done if it contributes to the strengthening of the ties of friendship between the United States and China."

"For in this way it will strengthen Democracy both in China and the United States."

"We are well aware that China is confronted with many difficult problems at the present time."

"The Chinese Currency Stabilisation Board was established to deal with financial problems. But if the Chinese currency is to be established, the range of economic questions in which we must interest ourselves is vast."

"FOR THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE VALUE OF THE CHINESE CURRENCY CAN IN THE ULTIMATE BE NO GREATER THAN ITS INTERNAL PURCHASING POWER."

Inflation

Mr. Fox continued: "Such problems as inflation and rising prices, the continued emission of bank notes, the scarcity of foodstuffs, the necessity of increasing the production of military supplies and foods for the people, transportation difficulties and 'bottle-neck' exports of essential raw materials such as tungsten, antimony and tin tung oil, the importation of war materials, programmes for taxation and the financing of Government expenditures must occupy our attention."

"We have no ready-made solutions to offer and we shall not attempt such a step but our task will be made immeasurably easier if we have the full cooperation and assistance of all members of this Conference."

"In the days to come we shall certainly call upon your various governmental ministries and agencies for statistical information."

Minister, Col. Stallard, in Cairo. His last engagement there was to attend a function given by Col. Stallard and to meet the South African troops who were coming from Abyssinia.

To their contribution to the common cause, he paid a warm tribute. —Reuter.

King Peter the Second of Yugoslavia arrived in London by air at 4.45 yesterday morning.

King Peter was accompanied by his Prime Minister and other Ministers and was met by the Duke of Kent.

The Yugoslav Government will be established in London. —Reuter.

It is now known that among those who arrived in Britain with King Peter was M. Guinchich, Yugoslav Minister of Foreign Affairs. —British Wireless.

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United Effort

"We may from time to time suggest changes and modifications in your economic machinery here and there. Such recommendations will be made only after careful study and we hope will be found practical."

"In turn we trust you will have no hesitation in making your views known to the Board. Ours is a united effort in which there is neither time nor place for petty bickering, personal jealousies or myopic reforms."

"In times of peace public officials in China and elsewhere could leisurely pursue antiquated methods and practices but to-day, in time of war, we cannot afford such luxuries."

"New and more modern methods must be employed, even though it involves thinking and making mistakes and giving unintentional offence."

Tax Courage

"Courage to impose new taxes must be based mainly on ability to pay. The tax system must be centralised. Personnel must be advanced on the basis of merit alone and not through political connection or social standing."

"There must be a well-organised and unified system of budgetary control. Full disclosure of the government's finances is an essential feature of Democratic government."

"My brief stay in China has already made certain definite impressions on me. First and most important, I have been impressed by the grim determination of the Chinese people to preserve their independence in the face of tremendous obstacles and difficulties."

"As long as the Chinese nation is united it cannot and will not be vanquished." —Reuter.

N.Z. PREMIER IN ENGLAND

THE NEW ZEALAND PREMIER, MR. PETER FRASER, WAS WELCOMED WHEN HE ARRIVED IN LONDON YESTERDAY BY THE LORD PRIVY SEAL, MR. C. R. ATTLEE.

Mr. Fraser was given an enthusiastic welcome as he stepped off the train at Waterloo.

When he arrived in England by air on Friday, Mr. Fraser was met by the Dominions Secretary, Lord Cranborne, and the New Zealand High Commissioner, Mr. W. J. Jordan. —Reuter.

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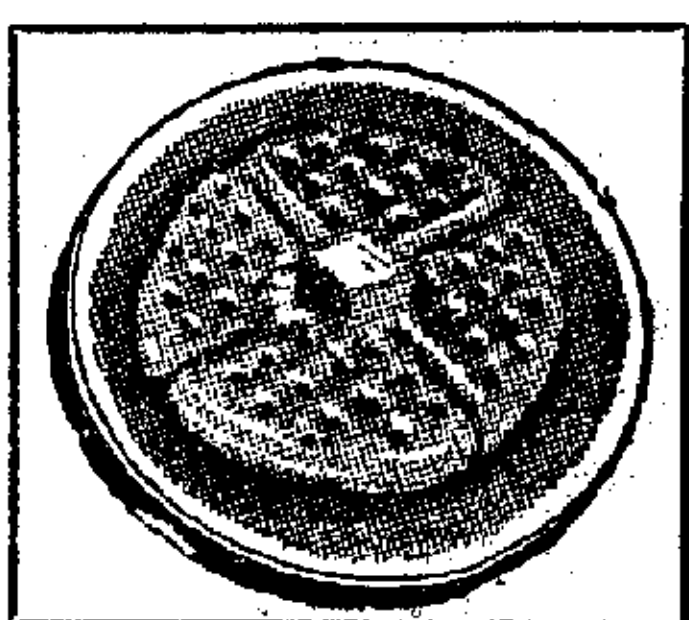
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BATAVIA'S 'NO' TO JAPANESE DEMAND

Return To Status Quo The Net Result Of Long Parley
"Times" Analyses Course Of Events

SEVENTEEN
FOR NIL
BY R.A.F.

Seventeen German aircraft were destroyed over and around Britain during the week ending June 21.

No British aircraft was reported lost in this area during the same period. — Reuter.

NET RESULT OF THE parleys between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies after nine months is a return to the status quo, commented "The Times" in an editorial yesterday surveying the breakdown of the trade talks.

The newspaper says, regarding the Japanese claim to more oil, that there could be no question in any case that the Dutch authorities would sanction the exportation of the enormous quantity demanded by Japan.

"The Japanese contention is that many enterprises in which Japanese wished to gain a foothold were already open to other nations, such as Great Britain, and to refuse to allow Japan's participation is therefore to discriminate unfairly.

"The Dutch reply is that Holland is the ally of Great Britain and can and will give advantages to those countries who are fighting the common enemy.

"She is partaking in the war against Germany and cannot risk making a serious break in the blockade in the Far East.

Uncommonly Firm

"The Dutch know Japan now controls rubber and tin exports from Indo-China to Thailand; release of stocks from the N.E.I. may easily make other supplies available for a third party.

"There are in fact two main considerations which at present cause the Netherlands East Indies Government to be uncommonly firm.

"The first is that they are an Allied Government at war in a life and death struggle, while Japan is the non-belligerent ally to their enemy.

"The other is that behind the economic penetration of Japan lies—just as in the case of Germany—political penetration, and if there is one point upon which Dutch opinion is absolutely united, both at home and in the colonies, it is that the N.E.I. will never be included, as the Governor said in a recent speech, in the new order in Greater Asia under the leadership of any power whatsoever." — Reuter.

JAPANESE NAVY PROMISES AID TO WANG

THE FULL COOPERATION of the Japanese navy with the "New China," in attaining the common object of China and Japan, was pledged by Admiral Oikawa, the Navy Minister, to Wang Ching-wei in a speech at a luncheon party given in Tokyo yesterday by Admiral Nagano.

Admiral Oikawa added: "The Imperial navy is going through hard training day and night to discharge successfully its important mission to safeguard the stability and development of East Asia with full confidence in the face of the alarming situation in East Asia as a sequel to the worldwide disturbance."

Admiral Oikawa thanked Wang for the latter's sympathetic understanding of the Japanese mission, as well as the vital necessity for cooperation between the Chinese and Japanese navies.

It is understood an important conference took place yesterday morning between Wang and Prince Kanoye, the Japanese Premier, regarding tightening of the cooperation between Japan and "New China."

Wang was accompanied by his Finance Minister, Chou Fui-hai, while Mr. Matsuyuki, the Japanese

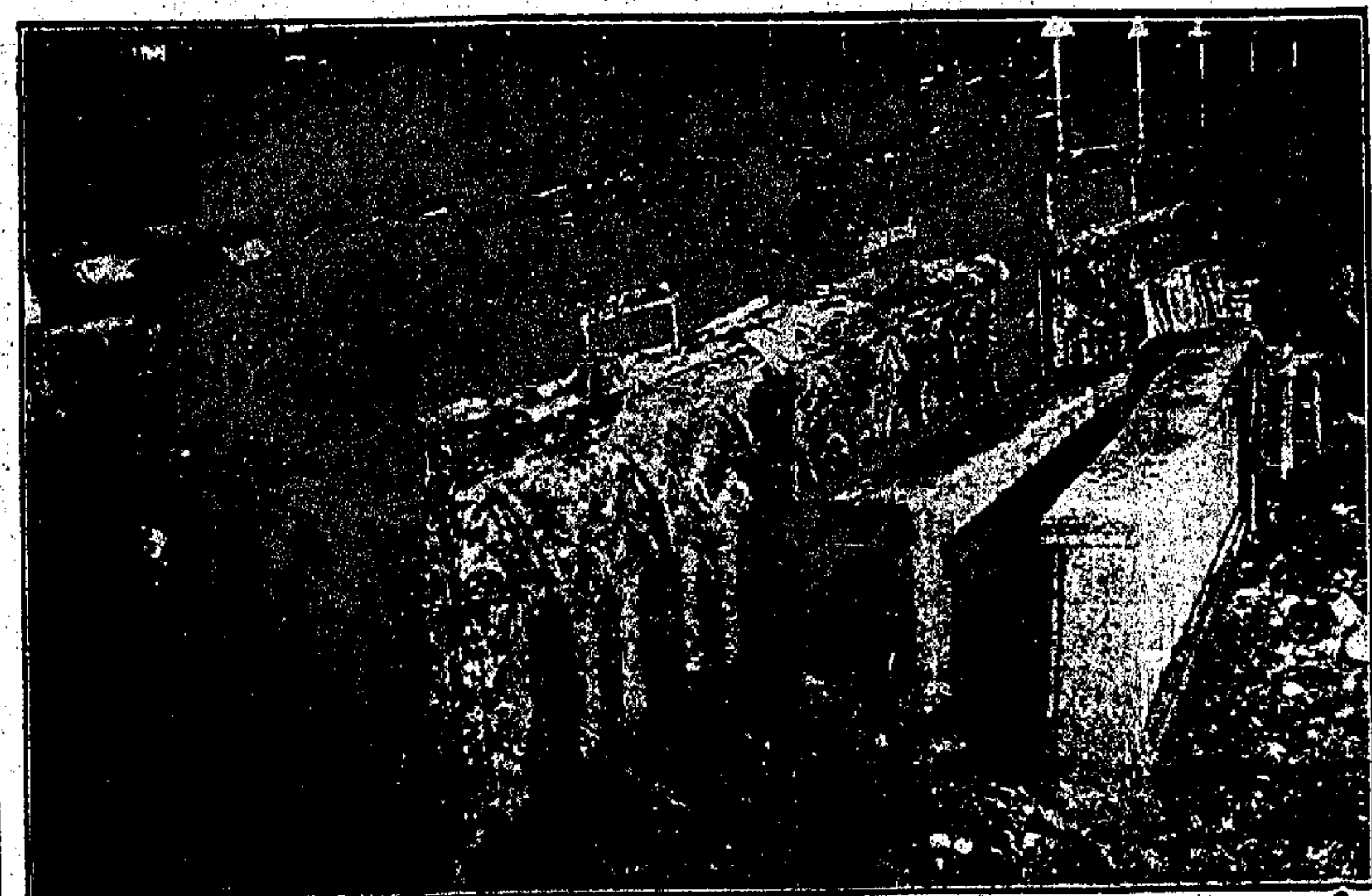
Foreign Minister, also took part in the conference, which lasted an hour.

The conference breakfasted together. — Reuter.

HEINOUS OFFENCE

For attempting to obtain five cents from a hawk in Des Vaux Road Central by means of a trick, He Kam, 18, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning.

Detective Sergeant C. Wilcox said that accused approached complainant and, pretending he was collecting money for a police constable on that beat, demanded five cents.



During the heavy May raid on London, serious damage was done to Westminster Abbey. Photo shows the damaged choir at the Abbey. — (Copyright, Fox.)

HOW PILOT GOT HOME WITH COLOURS FLYING

TO THE NUMEROUS stories of escapes in the Western Desert must be added that of a Free French pilot who was shot down on June 15 and given up for lost, states the Air Ministry News Service.

This pilot was engaged in ground strafing when he was attacked by Messerschmitts and had to make a forced landing 30 miles inside enemy territory. Taking a water bottle from the crashed aircraft he made off across the desert, knowing that enemy troops must have seen him come down.

DIRECT HITS ON ENEMY SHIP

The pilot of a Coastal Command Blenheim who scored direct hits on an enemy supply ship in the English Channel, on Friday attacked at such close range that as he turned away his aircraft touched the sea.

The impact wrenched off one of his propellers and threw a cloud of water all over the aircraft. Nevertheless the pilot managed to pull the Blenheim up from the water on one engine and flew it safely back.

The Blenheim was one of a force which, escorted by fighters, attacked a German supply ship of about 4,000 tons a few miles off Le Touquet.

The supply ship was protected by three A.A. vessels and a destroyer which put up strong and accurate fire.

In spite of this the Blenheims came right in over the ship to release their bombs. They then had to take such a course of avoiding action that they saw only one direct hit.

Fighters up above, however, observed two hits which left smoke rising from amidships. The ship sank later. — British Wireless.

CHUNGKING A.R.P. TUNNEL DISASTER

The recent air raid shelter tragedy in Chungking was examined at a meeting of the Resident Committee of the People's Political Council yesterday.

Dr. Chang Po-ling, the chairman, voiced the hope that in view of the seriousness of the event, Government would make public the findings of investigations now in progress and take immediate steps to deal with those responsible for the disaster. — Central News.

Four enemy armoured cars dashed into view and from the cover of the clump of camel thorn the pilot watched the Germans searching for him.

But they did not stay long. One German shouted an order and the armoured cars moved off.

It was 6 p.m. and the young pilot walked eastwards avoiding tracks and keeping to low land. As soon as the sun set he rested two hours and then by the light of a waning moon, resumed his trek.

He walked for two nights and one whole day, covering a distance of nearly 50 miles before he reached the frontier wire.

HERE HE MET WITH HIS FIRST MISADVENTURE — HE TORE HIS SHORTS TO RIBBONS AND WAS OBLIGED TO CONTINUE THE JOURNEY WITH TATTERED SHIRT TAILS FLUTTERING IN THE BREEZE.

He said: "For that reason, when I was finally picked up by a lorry driver, I was greeted with incredulous stares.

"The lorry driver and I exchanged questions. He was a cheerful Cockney and suspicious. However, I showed him my R.A.F. pay book and he told me to jump aboard."

Within 36 hours the pilot had reached a casualty clearing station and shortly afterwards was being warmly welcomed by brother pilots. — British Wireless.

Accused of having obtained \$2 by false pretences on Wednesday from Wong Ju, 22, shop keeper, at No. 88, Tong Mei Road, Chan Wai-chuen, 32, was remanded by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon yesterday for further enquiries.

SHANGHAI LOCK-OUT SETTLED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

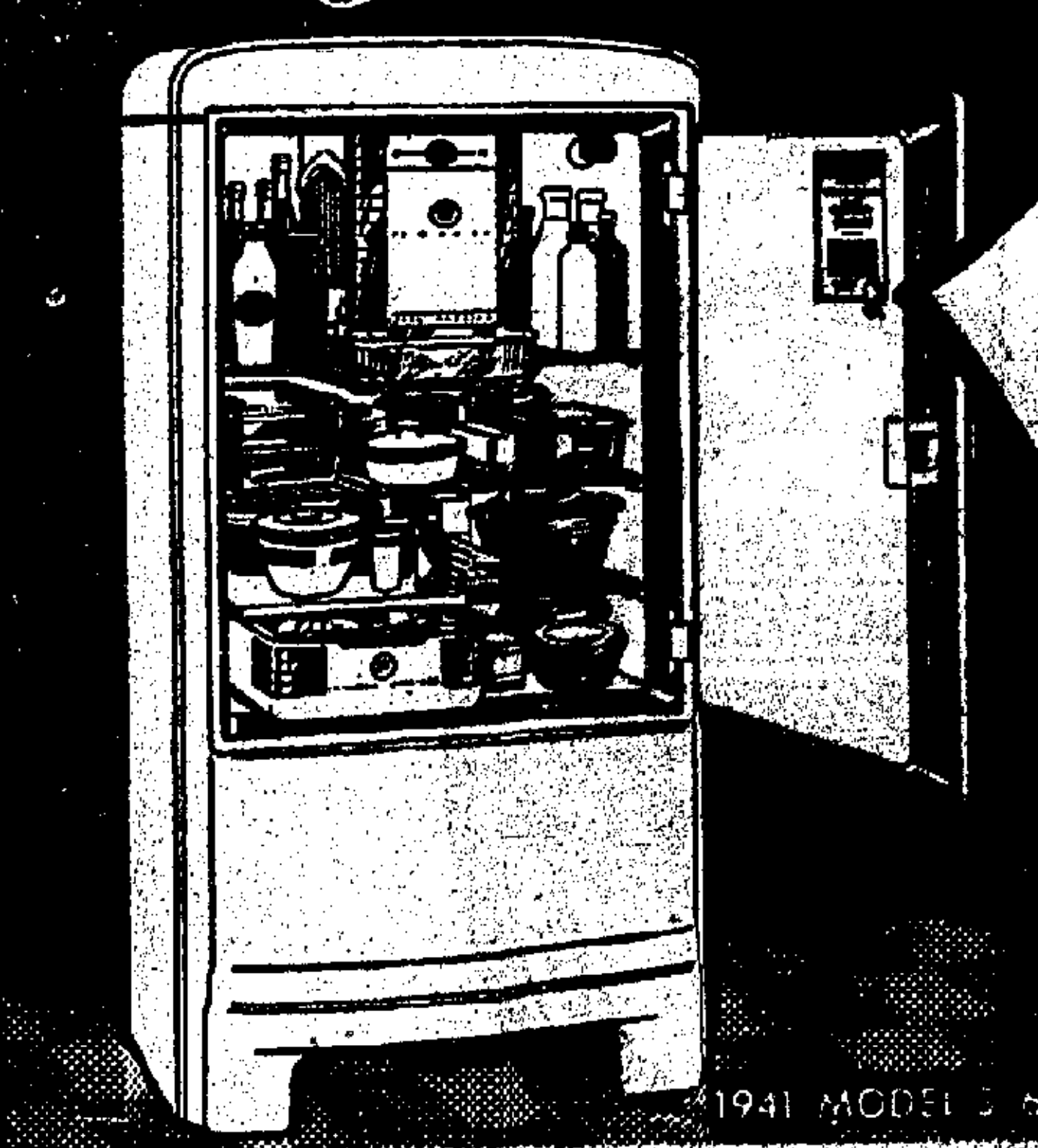
CONCLUDING A TWO-MONTH LOCK-OUT, 1,100 EMPLOYEES OF THE COMMERCIAL PRESS IN SHANGHAI FINALLY SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MANAGEMENT BY WHICH THE EMPLOYEES WILL RECEIVE NINE MONTHS WAGES, AND CONSIDER THEMSELVES NO LONGER EMPLOYED BY THE FIRM.

Dismissal bonuses were paid out and the employees signed documents stating they have no further claims against the company.

The employees were verbally informed the company would re-employ them as soon as conditions return to normal. — International News Service.

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(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

AS IN ENGLAND AND IN OTHER PARTS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE, A SCHEME FOR THE COMPULSORY INSURANCE OF COMMODITIES STORED IN HONG KONG IS SHORTLY TO BE ENACTED, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" LEARNED FROM AUTHENTIC SOURCES LAST NIGHT.

The operation of what is to be called The War Risk Insurance of Commodities is to be entrusted to local branches of underwriters and insurance companies.

The Hong Kong Government will, however, not be responsible for claims arising from this insurance scheme.

All such claims will be settled by the British Treasury. Both the General Chamber of Commerce and the Hong Kong Chinese Chamber of Commerce have been consulted and it is understood that both organisations have agreed in principle to the proposal. It is expected that their reply to Government approving such insurance will be forwarded during the week.

Under the plan of Government, it is proposed to make insurance compulsory only in cases where the commodities in stock of individual firms are valued at and above \$15,000.

Premium Level

Firms in possession of commodities valued at under \$15,000 will not be compelled to insure stocks, but they will be invited to take out insurance voluntarily. It is proposed to fix the monthly premium at 1/2% of the value of the goods stored.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Thomas Parkinson to be an Assistant Immigration Officer in the Immigration Department, with effect from the 2nd June.

IMMIGRANT SMUGGLING RUMOURS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

There have been a few isolated cases of attempts to smuggle Chinese immigrants into the Colony, but so far nothing has come to light to suggest any large-scale, organised smuggling, stated Mr. J. B. H. Lee, Immigration Officer, yesterday to the "Sunday Herald".

Rumours that smugglers were charging from \$15 to \$40 per person were discounted by Mr. Lee.

The Immigration Office disclosed that seven Immigration Stations have now been established in the New Territories to deal with incoming Chinese.

The main station is at Tai Po while the others are located at Shataukok, Man Kam To, San Uk Ling, Sheungshui, Lokmachau and Yuen Long, each manned by responsible immigration officials.

No launches have yet been acquired for the exclusive use of the Immigration Office to patrol the Colony's waters and to visit and inspect incoming junks.

This work is now being carried out in hired motor-boats at Shauiwan.

VIOLENT ATTACK ALLEGED

Three northern Chinese, described as shemakers, were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, with assaulting the master of the Nam King Barber Shop, in Village Road, and with causing him grievous bodily harm.

The injured man, Kam Ching-ming, is still in hospital. Accused, Chi Hing-sang, 27, Tsui Sun-kan, 25, and Wong Shue-chung, 24, are alleged to have used clubs and bottles to attack complainant in his shop. The case was adjourned for three days.

ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' SPEECH DAY

St. Paul's Girls' College will be holding their annual Speech Day on July 18, at 8 p.m. when Mrs. Li Tse-long will distribute the prizes won during the year.

In the Chinese Essay competition held recently, in which 26 Secondary schools took part, the College scored first and second places whilst in the Mandarin Speech-making competition, held at the College under the auspices of the Christian Students' Movement, the college representatives took second place.

HOSPITAL "BOY" CHARGED

A coolie employed in the Kowloon Hospital, Wu Fui, 35, was remanded for 48 hours by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday, on a charge of stealing six rolls of lint, seven rolls of cotton wool, and 18 rolls of gauze.

Sub-inspector T. Collins disclosed that the police expect to make another arrest in connection with the case.



A line of food stalls, common feature of numerous streets near the waterfront on both sides of the harbour, which would be doomed under the Five Year Plan submitted in Urban Council last week. The proposal has given rise to adverse criticism on the ground that it will disastrously raise the cost of living of those who patronise the stalls.

EVACUEE RUMOUR SCOTCHED

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, yesterday personally contradicted a rumour which has been widely circulated concerning the lifting of the evacuation decree.

Apparently deriving from a hint that His Excellency will shortly make an important broadcast on the Hong Kong war effort, rumour had it that the Governor would announce that evacuated wives and families would be permitted to return as from September.

So convinced were several husbands of the accuracy of the story that they went so far as to make arrangements for renting flats and houses in anticipation of the return of their relatives.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMENT ON THE RUMOUR YESTERDAY WAS: "THERE ARE MANY INACCURATE RUMOURS IN CIRCULATION IN THE COLONY. THIS IS THE WORST OF THEM."

DOCKYARDS COMPROMISE

A COMPROMISE HAS BEEN REACHED BETWEEN LOCAL DOCK WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS REGARDING A REQUEST FOR A 50 PER CENT. INCREASE IN PAY. IT WAS OFFICIALLY LEARNED YESTERDAY.

The workers have agreed to accept an offer of an 18 per cent increase in basic wages and a 20 per cent high cost of living allowance.

The 20 per cent high cost of living allowance will be in force for a period of 12 months and will not be reduced even in the event of a drop in the cost of living during that period. They have also undertaken to review the matter every three months in the light of the cost of living.

YOUNG WOMAN SENT TO PRISON

A well-dressed Chinese woman was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon yesterday for stealing jewellery and money to the value of \$109.90 from a friend in February last.

Accused, Ho Kam-wai, 22, visited Lam Mo-ching, 19, married woman, at No. 755, Nathan Road, on February 27, and spent the night in the house. The following morning, she left the house taking the jewellery and money. She was seen in Hong Kong on Friday and was arrested.

NEW D.C.O. OF FIRE BRIGADE

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. William McIntosh Smith as Deputy Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, with effect from 7th June.

"BANNED" DOCTORS MAY REGISTER FOR DURATION

IN SPITE OF OPPOSITION expressed by local medical practitioners, Government yesterday issued an emergency regulation permitting temporary registration of selected medical practitioners who are not normally eligible for registration in Hong Kong.

It is understood that this is purely a war measure.

The question of admission to the local register of medical practitioners in this category was debated by the Hong Kong and China Branch of the British Medical Association and the Hong Kong Chinese Medical Association in April, and was strongly opposed by the latter organisation on the ground that there was no justification for the step.

In the "Government Gazette" yesterday the following Regulation was published:—

Where, on the application of any person entitled by virtue of any enactment to practise medicine, surgery and midwifery in any part of His Majesty's dominions or in any foreign country, it is shown to the satisfaction of the Medical Board that that person fulfils such conditions as to nationality, character, professional qualifications and otherwise as the Board with the consent of the Governor may prescribe, the Board may, if it thinks fit, direct that he shall be registered in the medical register as a temporary practitioner, and on the direction being given that person shall be registered accordingly, and the provisions of the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1935, shall as far as may be apply in relation to persons registered by virtue of this regulation as they apply to persons registered under that Ordinance.

CONTROL OF TRADE

All firms, hongs, companies and individuals concerned with the import into Hong Kong of the articles mentioned below are warned to note that in future it is necessary for them to submit all indents for endorsement before their despatch to the United Kingdom.

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1. Starch, including maize starch, or cornflour, potato starch, rice starch, rye starch, wheat starch, sago starch, sago flour, tapioca starch and tapioca flour.
2. Dextrine, including soluble starch and substance known as British gum.
3. Gelatine.

TOOK REFUGE ON THE ROOF

Patrolling in Canton Road early yesterday morning, Sergeant Dempsey heard a commotion near a hut off Kiangsu Street. He then saw a youth climbing from the hut and arrested him. Before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon later in the day the youth, Wong Hei, 17, convicted of being found in a dwelling was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

At 3.30 a.m. accused was seen inside the hut by the occupants, who chased him. He climbed to the roof and was about to come down when arrested by the Sergeant.

GOVERNOR TO BROADCAST ON WAR EFFORT

A special broadcast is shortly to be made by His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, on the Colony's War Effort, it was officially learned yesterday.

MEDICAL COOLIES DETAINED

AS A RESULT OF INVESTIGATIONS INTO ALLEGATIONS THAT SANITARY COOLIES HAVE BEEN DEMANDING MONEY FROM COOKED FOOD STALLS IN THE YAU MATI DISTRICT, THREE COOLIES, EMPLOYED BY THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, HAVE BEEN DETAINED AT YAU MATI POLICE STATION.

They are Mok Wah, 26, Pau Shui-chuen, 32, and Li Kwan, 28, and they are alleged to have demanded with menaces a sum of \$30 from Siu Shui on Tuesday and to have extorted \$20 from the same woman some time last month. Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser made the arrests.

It is understood that further investigations are being made into other allegations.

NO SUPER TAX FOR COLONY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT A SUPER TAX WILL BE ADDED TO THE WAR TAXES OF HONG KONG, IT WAS OFFICIALLY INDICATED YESTERDAY.

It was stated that a Super Tax had been under discussion but the circumstances as revealed by investigation did not justify the imposition of such a tax in the Colony.



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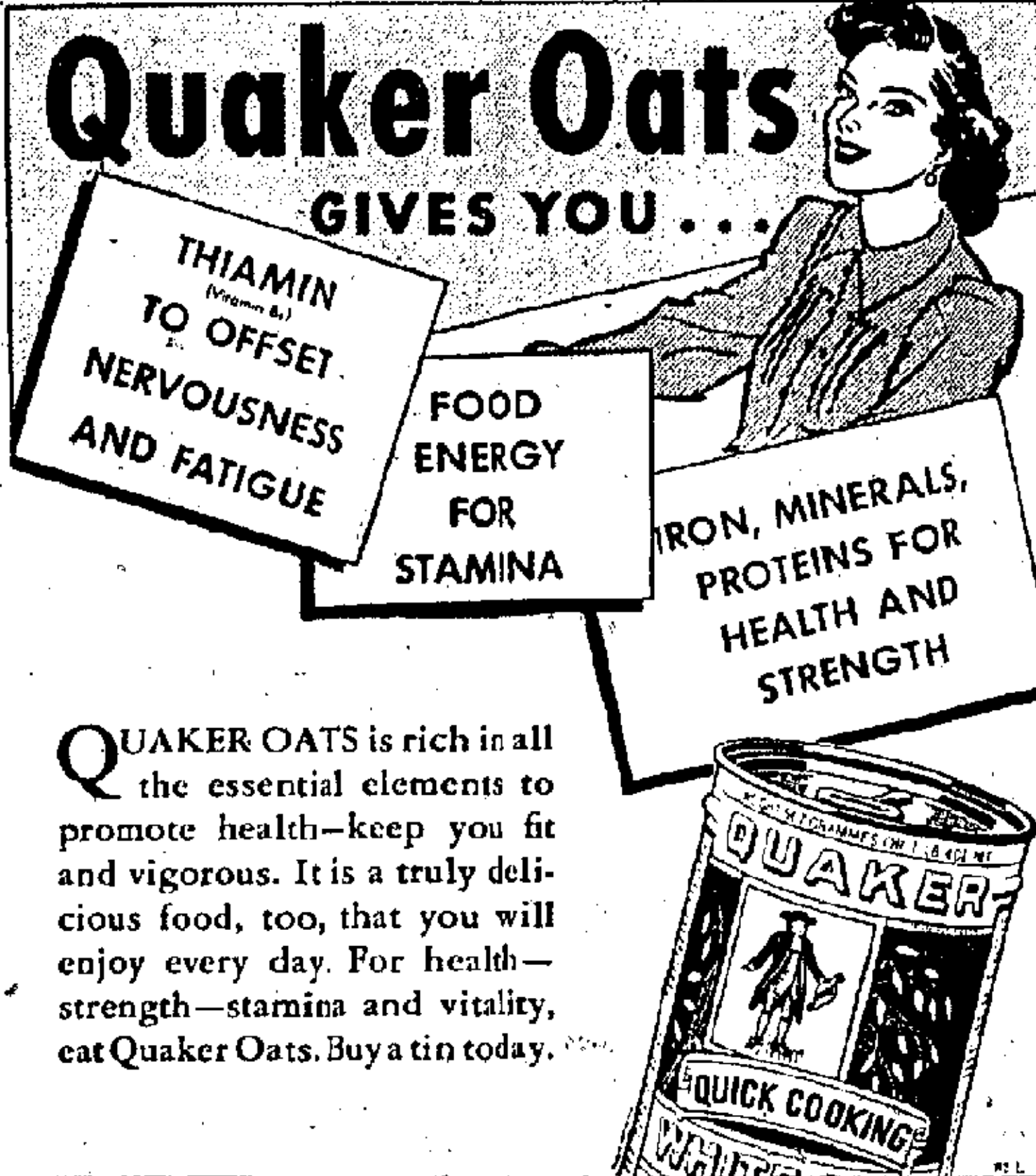
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DB1246—On Wings of Song (Mendelssohn) Heifetz.
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DA 955—Serenade (Toscanini) Rente Chemet. Violin.
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China's War For Our Cause

By Lord
LYTTON

It was good to hear from the lips of President Roosevelt, in that broadcast which so thrilled an anxious world, that China as well as Britain and Greece is to be a beneficiary of the Lease and Lend Act and the reception of all the help that the United States can give her in her heroic struggle against Japan. We are apt to forget that China has been at war almost continuously for ten years, and all through that time she has fought single-mindedly for the same cause which some seven years later we have been compelled to defend in arms.

She has seen her country invaded, her people killed and tortured, her cities bombed from the air without the means either to defend them or to retaliate in kind. Think for a moment what our plight would be if the splendid young pilots of the R.A.F., who have proved their quality in the air, had had no machines in which to meet the German Luftwaffe, if, too, we had had virtually no anti-aircraft guns with which to defend ourselves from the enemy raiders. Yet that has been the fate of China, and in spite of her poor equipment she has kept up the struggle year after year with undiminished courage and is no nearer being conquered to-day than she was at the beginning.

Lost Opportunity

Poor China! If we had helped her more in 1932 we might never have seen the rise of Hitlerism in Germany or the spread of war first into Africa and then into Europe. We have learnt much since then, and so have the people of the United States. China has been very patient. She has not complained. She knew our weakness and had to be content with our sympathy. But now there is a promise that at long last material help will be forthcoming, and she will face her powerful enemy with a new hope.

It is as well for us in Britain to remember that the war for free-

dom for a world regulated by law rather than violence, in which we are now so desperately engaged, really began with the attack on Manchuria by Japan in 1931. The one gain from the vast sacrifice of lives in the years 1914-18 was the establishment of a world organisation designed to prevent the recurrence of unprovoked aggression. That was "the lifeline" of our civilisation, the "new order" cemented with the blood of millions. It was Japan, one of the great Powers who were the principal trustees of that "new order," that struck the first blow at it. Ours have followed her example, with the result that the fellowship of nations dedicated to the outlawry of war has been for the time being destroyed. It will rise again because the world needs it, but if we are to build it more wisely in the future we must not forget who first attacked it and who were its first defenders.

The menace of Hitler and his insatiable ambition for conquest looms so large in our minds to-day that we are apt to regard the two dictators of Europe as the initiators of the system of deception and violence against which we are fighting. Actually they were imitators. Japan was the real initiator. She was the first of the Great Powers to violate her treaty obligations, to attack a peaceful and defenceless neighbour, and to introduce the technique of official lying and fabricated "incidents" with which the world has grown so familiar in recent years.

Japan's Originality

Almost every action and every formula which to-day we asso-

ciate with the two gangsters of Europe was in fact first employed by Japan, the gangster of Asia. The waging of war without previous declaration and calling it peace, the profession of friendship to cover hostile preparations, the engineering of disturbances in a neighbouring State to provide an excuse for armed intervention under the guise of restoring order, the disclaiming of territorial ambition whilst occupying the territory of another country, the establishment of puppet Governments and the making of spurious alliances with them—the "details" of the sinning and denial of the sin? Japan may claim to be the inventor of them all. China had experienced the activities of fifth Columnists before the Spanish Civil War had coined the expression. She had her Quislings before Norway was invaded and that gentleman had provided the world with a new international word for "traitor." These things were all happening before our eyes yet how few people realised in the years 1931-2 what terrible consequences were to follow from the passive acquiescence of the rest of the world in this new form of aggression.

People in this country to-day are blaming the Balkan States for not uniting in a common defence against the menace of German aggression and pointing out how effective their combination might have been. But in 1931-2 a common front against the first enemy of the collective system was even more needed and was for easier attainment. All the other Great Powers in the League were then united, and even the United States, though not in the League, was cooperative with it. The Commission over which I had the honour to preside included repre-

sentatives of France, Germany, Italy, and the United States, and our report on the Manchurian dispute was unanimous.

The tragic failure to make use of the opportunity for settling the dispute afforded by that report was mainly due to the fact that our Government did not realise the injury which Japan had done to us and to everything which those days we valued most. They thought only in terms of injury to China, and it did not seem to them to be in the interests of Britain to defend China against Japan. From that serious miscalculation untold evil has followed. The League of Nations is dead; the whole of Europe is given over to gangster rule and the British Empire, backed by the goodwill and material help of the United States, is fighting almost single-handed for freedom and the democratic ideal.

China's Fighting Spirit

After ten years of almost continuous war China's spirit has not been broken. Her sacrifices have only tended to bind her people into a national unity which throughout her long history never existed before. Just as Napoleon was the founder of European nationalism, so Japan is the founder of Chinese nationalism. The latter is not likely to have diminished.

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Two Methods

THE delay in obtaining enormous war supplies from the United States is due mainly to the necessity of machine-tooling before U.S. industry can be turned over from its normal peace activities to the production of aircraft, guns, tanks, warships, etc. When Mr. Ford was about to produce a new model it took him as a rule from eighteen months to two years to turn his factories over from the old model to the new, and the change is, of course, even greater when a factory has to be converted from producing, say, steel rails or bicycles to producing guns and aeroplanes.

The miscalculation of this factor was one of two great snares in Europe. Between the years 1934 and 1937, Germany was able to say with literal truth that she was not increasing her production of aircraft, and all the Intelligence departments confirmed her assertion. But what she was doing during a large part of this time was to convert her industry from butter to guns, and by the year 1937 she was in a position to produce an immensely greater output than any of her European rivals.

America, both in her own armaments and in her Aid to Britain movement, has greatly exceeded what was thought possible a year or eighteen months ago, and during the next eighteen months she will mount to a peak which will surpass the highest point reached in Europe. The question is whether this period can be shortened so that American help to us will be sufficient to turn the scales in the immediately coming months. The answer to that question is largely psychological. As we have seen nearer home, mechanical miracles, or, let us say, achievements which expert opinion would declare to be impossible in normal times, become possible if emotions and sympathies can be raised to the necessary level.

It is this which makes the movement of American opinion so important. Under the influence of events in Europe we have seen that opinion moving through various stages. First to the point at which uneasiness about American security gave public sanction to the voting of enormous sums

for American armaments. Next, and simultaneously, to an appreciation of the fact that this security was to some extent bound up with the success of Great Britain in her struggle with Nazi Germany.

The industrial output to-day responds roughly to the earlier mood, and the question is now whether it will similarly reflect the later. I do not think we need have any serious misgivings on this point, but the isolationists are still fighting stubbornly against

By J. A.
Spender

the rising tide of an opinion which they think will carry the country into war, and will, no doubt, seek in various ways to tie the hands of the President.

These are the stages by which the democratic countries prepare themselves for war and it is useless to be impatient about them. We have gone through them ourselves. We saw only last year that it needed the actual invasion of Norway, Holland and Belgium to bring home what was on foot in Europe and to impart the extra drive which makes all the difference between the state of war and the state of peace. We must not be surprised if it has taken a similar process of education to awaken the American people to the fact that they, too, are in danger. Their sympathies have always been with us, but a free Government can never make sympathy alone a cause for going to war. It must convince its people that sympathy and vital interests coincide.

The Nazi may draw a plausible picture of the contrast between his methods and ours. On the one hand the democracies, discovering suddenly that they are behind in the race, then arguing every step of the ground, appealing to each other across the ocean, confessing

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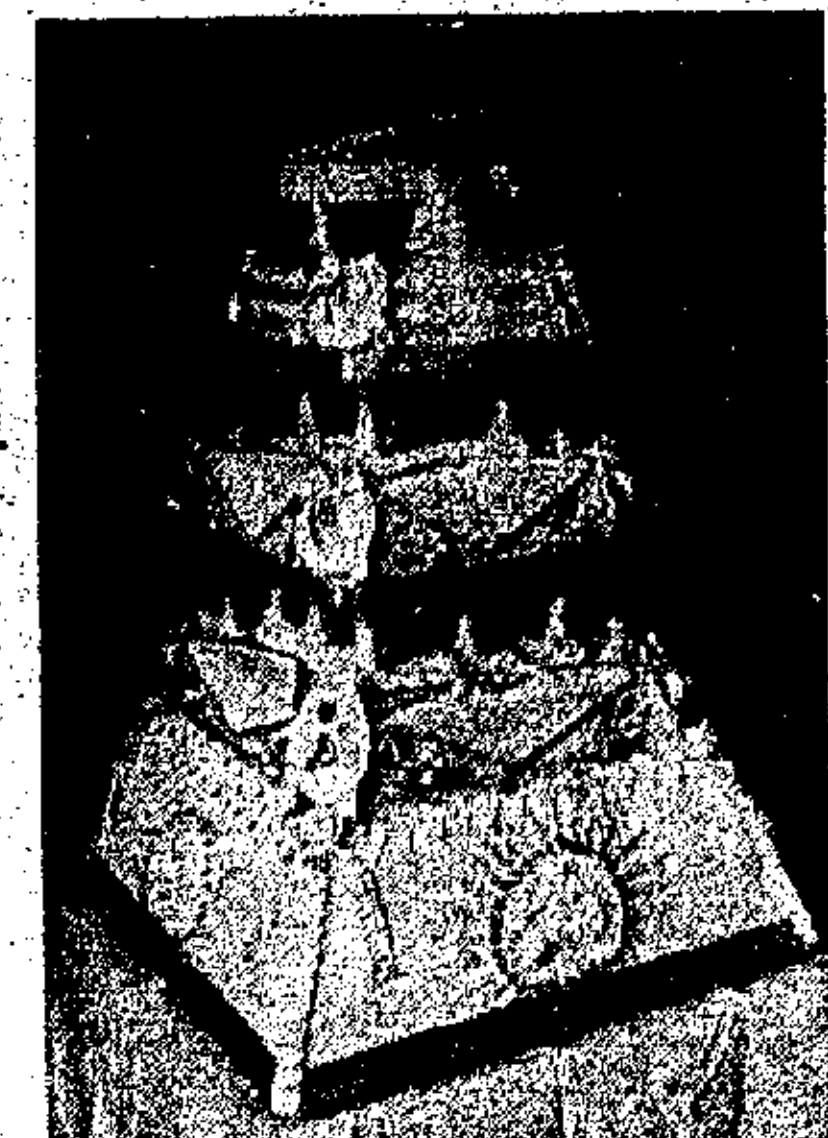
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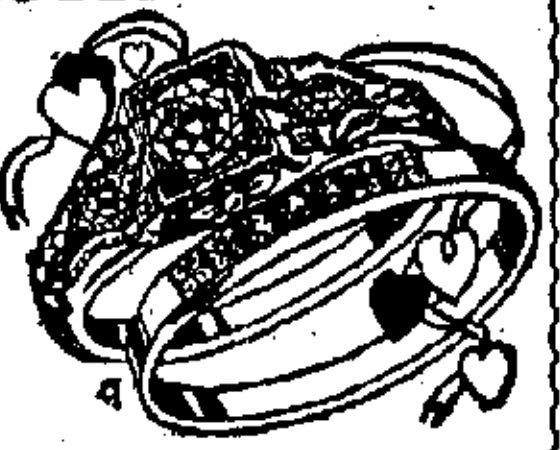
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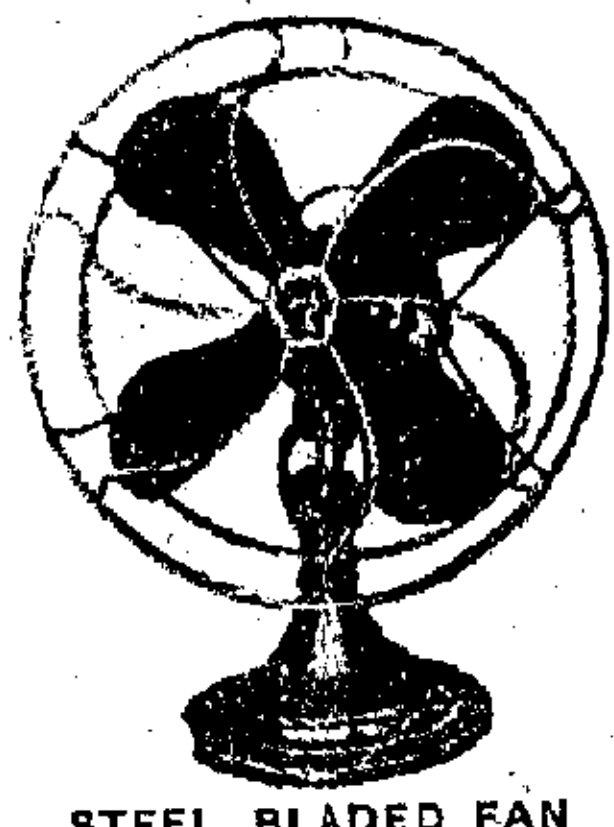


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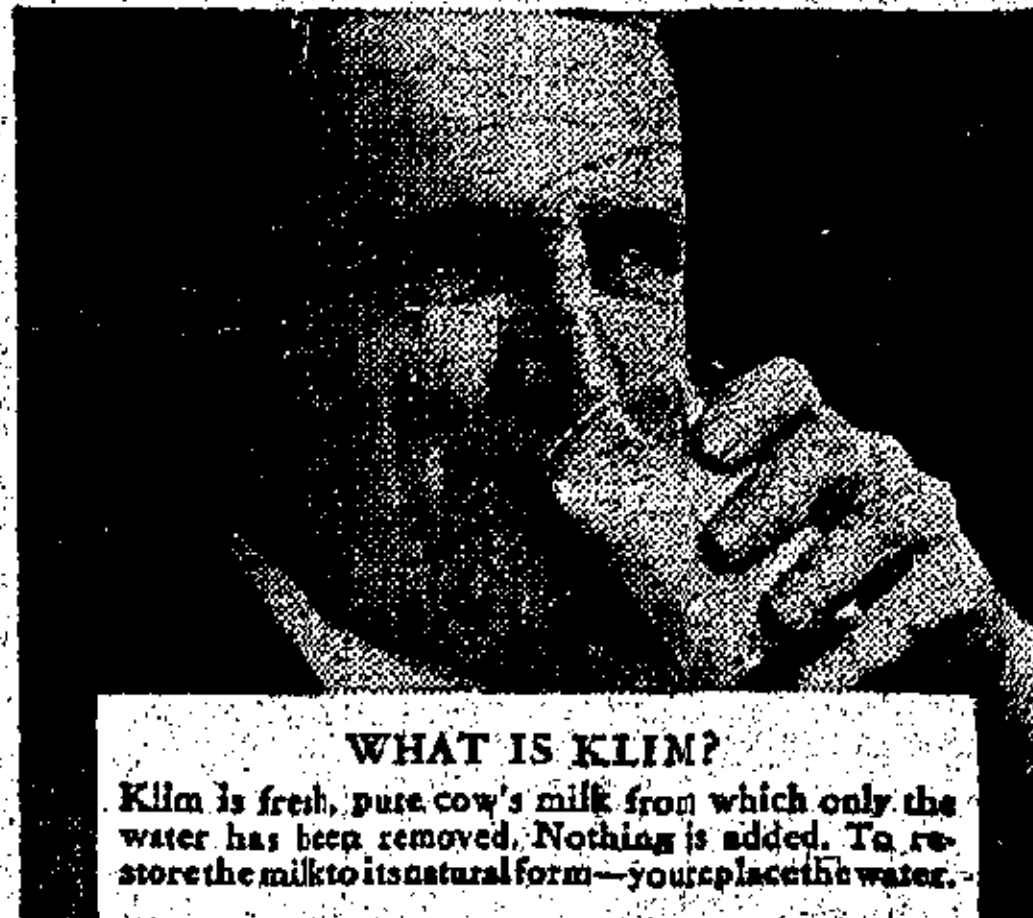
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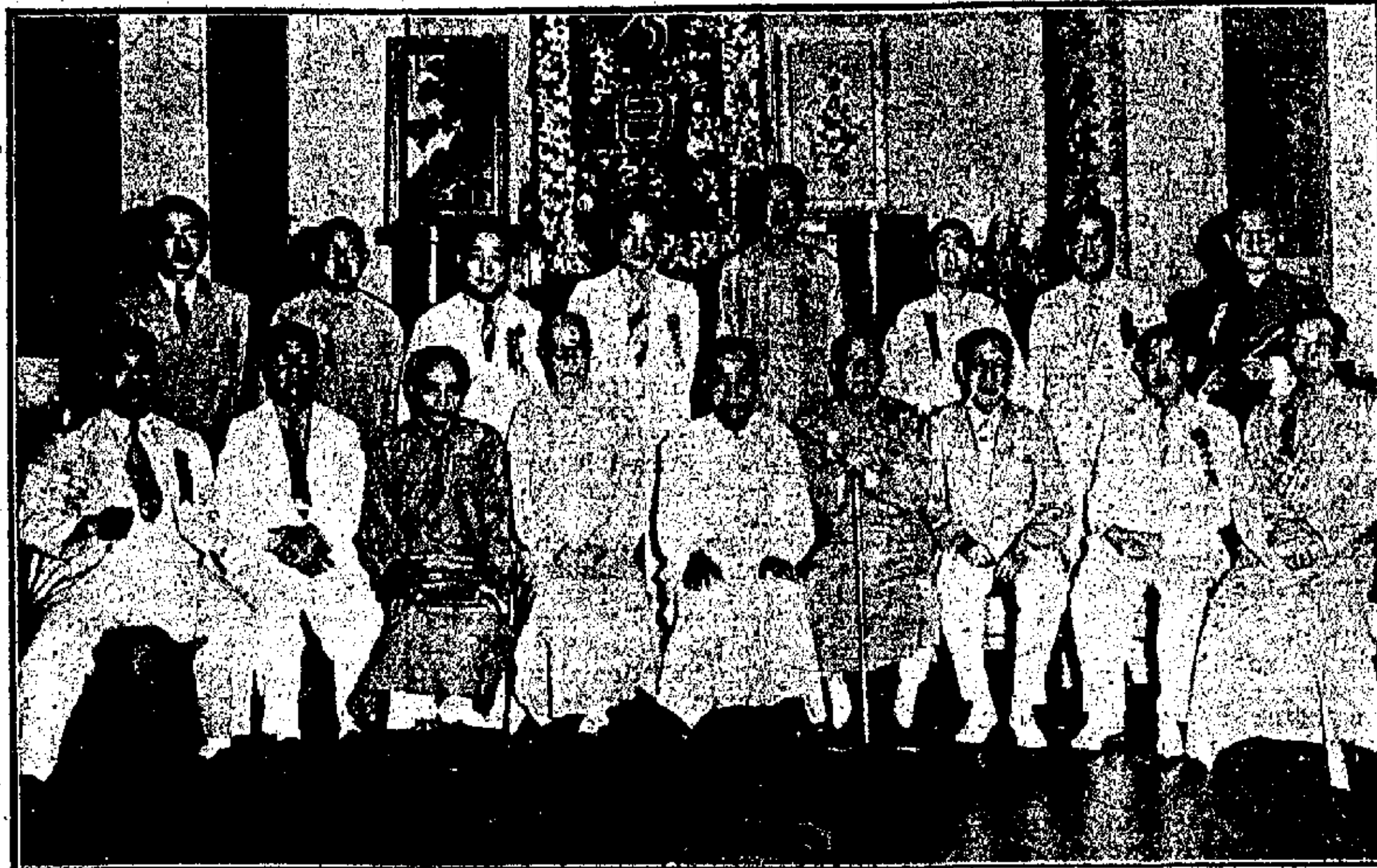
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ANNOUNCEMENT that Sir Mark Aitchison Young had been appointed Governor of Hong Kong in succession to Sir Geoffrey Northcote, who is relinquishing his appointment for reasons of health, came on Wednesday morning as a distressing shock and surprise to most of us. It was fairly well known, because His Excellency had been compelled to cancel several engagements recently, that his health was not as good as it might be, but it was believed and hoped that his medical advisers were dealing with nothing more serious than a temporary condition.

PERHAPS the highest compliment that can be paid to Sir Geoffrey is to recall the departure of his predecessor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, who received the G.C.M.G. in the King's Birthday Honours List. The Colony was so filled with a sense of heavy loss that it almost forgot to congratulate Sir Andrew upon his promotion. Yet within a few short weeks of Sir Geoffrey's arrival, the sense of an injury done, so strangely held against the Colonial Office, had completely evaporated; we were smiling again.

PRECEDENT WE gather that nothing has been decided regarding the date of departure of Sir Mark Young. The interesting precedent set when General Norton and Sir Geoffrey exchanged greetings earlier this year will be repeated, for Sir Geoffrey is not planning to make his farewells until his successor has arrived. Normally, the tour of duty of His Excellency would expire in October of this year, and it is quite possible that we shall have him with us until then.

LITTLE is known about Sir Mark Young, our next Governor, beyond the fact that he graduated from the Ceylon Civil Service to become Colonial Secretary of Sierra Leone at 42 and Governor of Barbados at 47. He administered the Government

of Trinidad and Tobago during troublous times in the winter of 1937-38, and having survived that test with adaptable skill, was appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Tanganyika Territory in 1938. He comes to Hong Kong, therefore, with a record of progress which might be described as almost meteoric for the Colonial Service.

The Anger Of The Gods

TO those knowing our Chinese population at all well, especially since they have been largely augmented by their brethren, cousins and aunts from the country, it would have been astonishing had they failed to connect the introduction of daylight saving in the Colony with the phenomenon of weather visited upon us ever since. Certainly, there has been every encouragement to anyone with the slightest tinge of the superstitious in his make-up for the firm and unshakeable belief that we have roused the wrath of the gods. The outpouring of the heavens has

—by—
Rex James.

scarcely been equalled since 1926 — this is purely unofficial, without the knowledge, sanction or even tacit consent of the Royal Observatory — and some of the thunderclaps over the City have sounded like the crack of doom.

WE run little risk, having said so much already, of further tempting Providence or whoever it is that watches lynxlike over our observance of the letter and spirit of the Defence Regulations, if we add that it is now being revealed that those who greeted Daylight Saving with the most exuberant enthusiasm and fancied the innovation would give them a real spurge of bowling green or tennis court are sadder and wiser men. For them too the weather must seem like a judgment, as well as a snare and a delusion. Not so easily in the Colony is it possible to thwart the opinions of the pundits and the dictums of the die-hard that increased opportunities for sport could only be necessary to convince our stuffed-shirts that there could be the remotest possibility of a connection between a surmounted emergency and the K.B.G.C.

Son Of His Father

AS Dennis McEvoy told us on his return this week from Chungking, it helps in many ways to be the son of a famous father, but it can also be a little confusing and sometimes irksome, in a good-humoured sort of way, when both are in the same profession. It's a little hard to be congratulated, by proxy, as it were, on another brilliant article by "J. P." when it so happens that it was written by "Dennis." Then again, perhaps it is not such a left-handed compliment after all.

DENNIS is the Far Eastern correspondent of the "Chicago Times," seems to know as many languages, if one counts Chinese dialects separately, and Japanese, as he is years of age, and has his own ideas about journalists and journalism inasmuch as he is able to give full marks to and respect the skill and qualities of his own chief rival in this part of the world, Steele, of the "Chicago Daily News." That does not, of course, prevent him from giving his own estimate of the respective merits of the two papers—or, if you are sufficiently interested, the circulation figures.

Petulance

VISITATION of the whole wrath of the evacuation controversy upon the head of Mrs. Mathias, a lady who has never been to the Colony and whose only crime has been to accept an appointment offered to her by the Colonial Office, seems to us more than a little unfair. Undoubtedly, it is more than ordinarily vexing to discover that the Colonial Office is still unaware apparently that evacuation of our womenfolk is still very much a live issue; and did not see at once that the appointment of a woman to join our tax squad would be, to say the least, injudicious, if not exactly flaunting a red rag to a bull.

WHETHER it is a matter about which our realists have a right to get hot and bothered is another kettle of fish. They might, on the contrary, look on the bright side and ponder the thought that some encouragement is to be derived from the fact that the Colonial Office did not instinctively react with hostile steam at the mere thought of a woman coming to Hong Kong. If it does not reflect a softening of the brain, it might well be that hearts are in a melting mood at Whitehall, and we can still look forward to a merry Christmas.

Too Comprehensive

THE recommendation from the Ministry of Health and Board of Education that the euphemism of "uncleanliness" when "lous-



A photograph of Sir Mark Young, coming from Tanganyika as Governor of Hong Kong.

ness" is meant, should be abandoned in favour of "plain speaking" perhaps overlooks one fact of recent but unmistakable force. In the case of "lousy" there has been so much plain speaking that the adjective has ceased to have a strictly entomological meaning. "Lousy" with many people now covers anything which is just disagreeable to the speaker—in the modern idiom of these who are all for violence of expression you may have a lousy look, a lousy play, a lousy job, or a lousy entertainment of any kind, from an unattractive meal to an inferior film programme.

IT seems highly probable, therefore, that a lousy shirt would be more likely to mean one of whose lurid pattern or lack of pattern the speaker disapproved than a garment physically infested with lice. The usage was common enough in the distant past—Dryden could write of "a paltry, lousy sum of money"—but the dictionaries used to describe what might be described as a thoroughly lousy come-back; and if you want to describe something that is really infested with lice it might be less open to misunderstanding if you used the word "verminous."

The Old Order Changeth

THERE will be no difficulty in believing, after reading the result of the Immigration Office Inquiry, and as time goes on, that the conviction must enter minds in the Upper Grades of the Civil Service that times are not what they were. It is still a matter of vivid memory that the last occasion on which a full-dress debate was held in Legislative Council, the Unofficial Members rose in a body to repeat, in no unmeasured terms, what less conservative members of the community had been saying for years. But there is, if we mistake not a world of difference between a mere insistence that certain people are not doing their jobs, and a direct recommendation that a sort of Super-Overseer should be appointed, presumably with power to act.

WHETHER or not this suggestion, on which the Afflicted Elect may be expected to have some polite things to say, is adopted or not seems to us a matter of not very considerable importance. The mere fact that day and age has been reached when it could seriously be submitted is sufficient unto itself. Life can never be quite the same again.

IT was not clear from the Report of the Commissioners precisely what status it was thought might be accorded to the Officer charged with the highly ticklish duty of keeping other officers up to scratch. And we have not been entrusted with any confidence in the matter, which would suggest that the omission that further laceration might be spared. For these cogent reasons, speculation has played, idly and oddly, on this entrancing theme which offers every scope for the most lurid of imagination. It would be easier to find some had been given whether the Commission contemplated a mere headie, or a more majestic figure, a sort of Marshal of the Black Rod. Nor would some further enlightenment be altogether wasted on the problem of how far the ladies would have to be carried through. We have all heard the song about how the General told the Colonel, the Colonel told the Major, the Major told the Captain and so on down the scale.

Nobody's Business

MALNUTRITION, pellagra, beri-beri, tuberculosis, as well as cost of living, are terms which crop up again and again in official accounts of social conditions in Hong Kong. Yet it is difficult to see that any attempt at all is made, except through the agency of private charities, to do any more about it than deplore the fact, until the victims are so ill as to need expensive hospital treatment, or find their way to Stanley Prison.

BY and large, it is an extremely curious attitude that is adopted in regard to vagrancy. Let any European go broke and wander about the streets wondering what to do next, and he is arrested, sent to the House of Detention, and ultimately, if he cannot find a job in a short time, he is deported. About this particular procedure, there is no mystery. Destitution in an European is regarded as damaging to prestige and is therefore unthinkable, not to be tolerated. The Chinese vagrant, almost invariably in desperately greater need, must collapse in the street at the limit of his endurance before anything is done about him. The pat answer to the odious comparison is that no question of prestige is involved. But somehow or other, we are not at all sure of that.

A CORRESPONDENT refers us to a case which came under his direct notice during the week. The victim was an old man, startlingly refined in his appearance, considering the circumstances, and suggesting the farmer of the better type, a refugee possibly from the Po On District. He was found wandering in Pokfulam, so utterly dazed from starvation that he was neither fully aware of where he was or what was being said to him. When offered food, he recoiled for the moment almost as though he had been struck.

NOTHING is more certain than that this old man had been wandering about the streets of the Colony for days in much the same pitiable condition. Others may have given him occasional succour, but as far as Authority goes, he could have died where our correspondent found him lying. It should not be beyond the powers and capacity of the police, heavy as are their duties these days, to take broken humanity, of his type off the streets, if only to give them a bowl of rice overnight and show them where a communal food kitchen is to be found in the morning. What is so painful about the business is that nobody accepts it as his pigdin.

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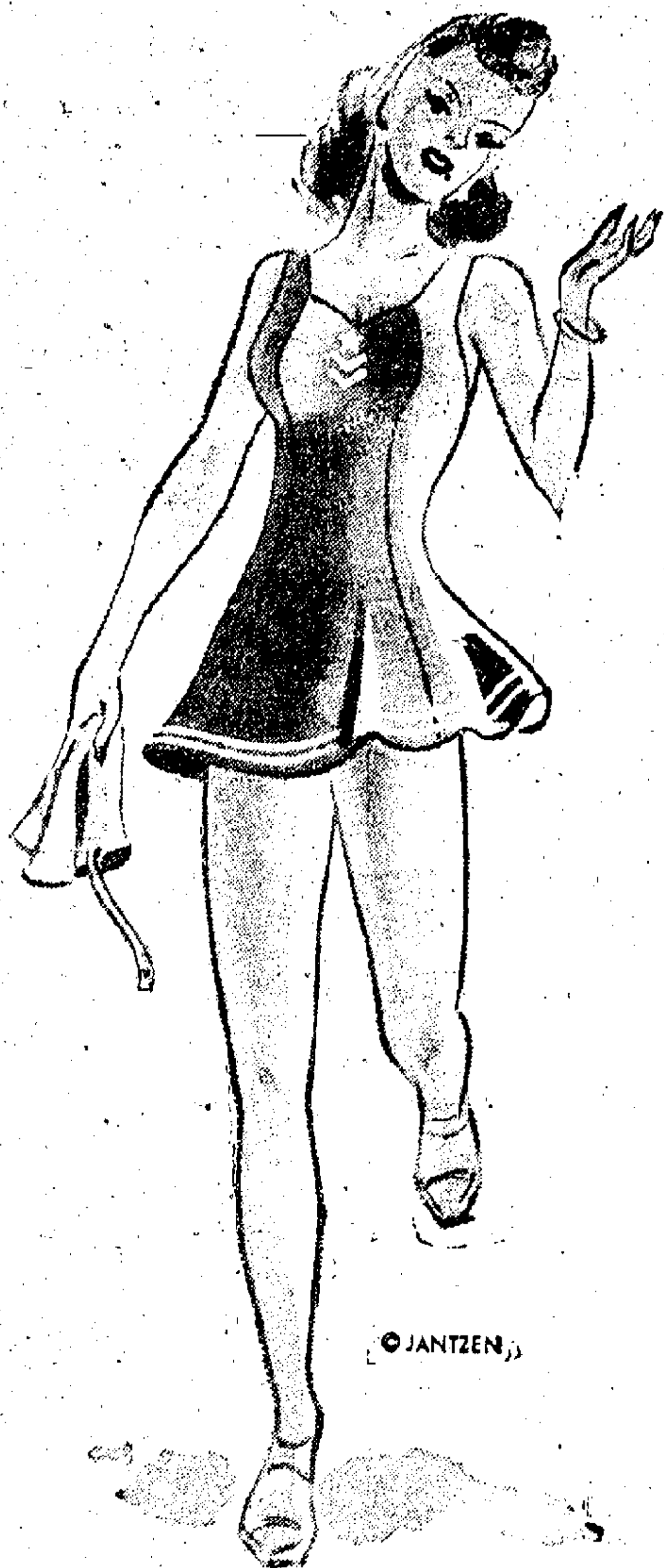


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"You will find it nestling coyly in the bottom right-hand waistcoat pocket."
"Oh yes. Of course. So it is. Ha! Ha! Funny if I lose it. Yes, I say—let's go over this business once more. Now what do I do when..."
"My dear Peter, look at your tie. Pull yourself together. Remember, I'm the man who's going to be married, not you."
"Oh. Are you? I mean yes—of course. Fact is, old boy, I'm in a rather weak state. That celebr-

tion of yours last night. Oh my poor head. I'm sure I won't be able to squeeze it into that wretched top!"
"If you'd only taken my advice last night and stuck to gin and Rose's..."
"Rose's? Oh yes. For the bride-maid. I thought you said they were to be carnations."
"Rose's Lime Juice, blackhead! Prevents hangovers. Therapeutic action. I wish I'd rummed a quart of it down your silly throat. Next time I get married, Peter, remember—you stick to gin and Rose's the night before."
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Night In The Blitz



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THE lights in the train suddenly went out, and we knew that there was an air-raid in progress, but we ran on at a good pace in the bright moonlight, and I got to my home town only a little late. The station was in darkness, save for the shaded light belonging to the ticket collector, and so we passed out into the streets to the noise of gunfire, the boom of planes and the frequent crumps of bombs. There were no taxis, and I did not care at all for the prospect of walking the two or three miles home; so I decided to hurry along to my hospital, which was a good deal nearer, and give a hand in whatever was doing. I caught up with a soldier—an "old sweat"—and we walked in step together. "What a bloody party," he said as a sudden brilliance lit up the sky, and we saw a "Molotov chandelier" dropping down. "That's so-and-so," he went on, pointing to a huge fire behind us. "Jerry knows where he bloody well is." (I found out later that it was nowhere near the important so-and-so.) Our ways parted, and he clumped off into the moonlight, with a five-mile walk in front of him.

At hospital no casualties had yet come in, and my houseman took me to the residents' room for tea and toast. One of the other housemen came in from his shift of fire-watching, and we discussed where the fires in the town might be. Then came the news that a casualty had come in, and we trooped down to the reception hall. It was rather an antidimax to find that he was an old man with a cerebral haemorrhage. But soon a real air-raid victim came in—a man who, standing at his door watching for incendiaries, had been thrown out into the street by the collapse of the house under a H.E. bomb. He had a fractured tibia and fibula, and he was covered with dust and dirt, his face as black as a coal. The next was a middle-aged Roman Catholic priest who, being unable to find a bag of sand in the street, had jumped on an incendiary bomb to put it out and had found it explode as he landed on it. Then came a couple of walking cases—bruised ribs from falling bricks, and a fire-watcher whose tendo achillis had been trodden on by a horse. He sat indignantly in a chair, nursing his sore heel and appealing to me. "Why need the chap have interfered with the rope?" he said. "What chap and rope?" I asked. "Well, when a bomb fell, I went to get the three horses out of the stable, and I'd got two out all right, and then this fellow comes along and grabs holds of the rope, and mucks everything up. He'd no sense to get hold of the rope, I was managing it all nicely. 'Were they your horses, then?' I asked. 'No, they'd nothing to do with me, you know; but I knew they were there and had to be got out, and I was managing the rope.' I looked at his foot, rather for form's sake, because as a physician I know little about these things; obviously he was not badly hurt, only bruised and sore. 'Just like another famous chap,' I said. He looked at me quizzically. 'What famous chap?' 'A fellow called Achilles,' he said, with the generous air of letting me have my little joke, and an obvious relief that things were not beyond a joke.



City workers walking through the debris caused by London's great May blitz.—(Copyright, Fox.)

A beam high in mid-air. He grabbed at his pal and held him for a second or two; when the man slipped out of his grasp, he fell on the debris of brick and building and not underneath it, and this saved his life, for three or four other A.F.S. men were crushed to death on the spot. His friend turned to me with savage clenched fist. "Shooting's too good for that man," he said.

All this time confident young registrars and housemen, sisters and nurses were getting on with their various jobs, and the emergency theatre was now in action. The tib-and-fib, the priest, the elderly woman and others were back in bed, recovering from their anaesthetics. I was in the ante-room of the theatre, having a cigarette, when there was a heavy explosion. My houseman dived under the theatre trolley, and rather like a slow-motion picture I dropped on to the floor on my face, listening to what sounded like the not falling in and foolishly aware that after all I had not even the cover of the thin aluminium top of the trolley. Then we got up again, and looked around the hospital to see where it had been hit. But it had not been hit; a very heavy bomb had landed on a building across the way. I rushed again to feel so untidy without a tie round my collar. Even the fractured tib-and-fib, on the stretcher ("Records" were just finishing his particulars) had to smile. Then came an elderly woman from the same incident, the situation in hand, the patients were steady and some could even crack a grim joke about it. It was the same look of puzzled questioning. Soon more cases were coming in, and I went along to the resuscitation ward. Already the tib-and-fib, the priest and the elderly woman were being got to bed and the ward. More cases arrived in the ward. There was an oldish man with a head wound, his clothes wringing wet, profoundly shocked, dazed and shivering. I never found out why he was soaked, and he could not tell me; but when I gave a hand with the sheet of his head with the skin of his face, he roused up and said angrily, "Here, what are you doing that for?" Two policemen out of a posse of four who had been sent out to clear the streets round an unexploded bomb were carried in, nearly dead, with the skin blasted from their faces. One of our policemen had been blown a distance of fifty yards or more, and three days later they were still finding in the mess of rubble pieces of uniform and limbs belonging to the other two, as well as the bodies of other poor folk who had been buried. Happily our two constables still survive.

A middle-aged warden carried in a bundle, telling us that it was an unidentified child rescued from what had been a group of modern tenement dwellings. It was a little boy about a year old, his face waxen where it was not black with grime, with a pulpy wound on the back of the head, and a great gash across the forehead. For several hours we watched the baby's life ebb, and then slowly come back again with the appropriate resuscitation measures. An auxiliary fireman came with one of his mates, who had a deep wound in the knee-joint. They had been fighting one of the big fires in the town, playing their hoses from an adjoining building. An H.E. bomb hit their building, and my informant found himself standing

My colleague the honorary surgeon had arrived, and we went round the beds together, weaving our way in and out of the stretchers which with their occupants were now filling up a large part of the floor. Such cases as were fit for operation in the course of the next hour or two could well be left to the younger men so we made a tour of the wards. As we were doing this the all-clear went, so we could use our torches a little more freely. The moonlight was streaming in through gaps which had once been windows, making odd glinting patterns on the floors of the wards. Outside it was a lovely night, and some imp of memory flashed on the screen of my mind the scene of Lorenzo and Jessica's love-making.

Sit, Jessica. Look how the floor of heaven

Is thick inlaid with patterns of bright gold;

There's not the smallest orb which thou beholdest

But in his motion like an angel sings,

Still quiring to the young-eyed cherubins:

Such harmony is in immortal souls;

But whilst this muddy vesture of decay

Doth grossly close it in, we cannot hear it."

We took a provisional decision on the extent to which the hospital could continue to function, and gave our instructions for the coming day's evacuation of a large proportion of our patients to hospitals elsewhere. Downstairs the work still went on, and would go on well into the afternoon, before the resuscitation ward could be cleared and tidied up and made ready again for the hazards of the next night. There was nothing more for us to do at the moment, and two of the ward sisters were making a brew of tea called us in to share it. They had both got up and had been busy settling their own patients to sleep in the little corridors leading to the wards, and now all was quiet. We sat over sister's fire and chatted. The blitz had already fallen into its place and proportion in the life of our hospital; for our recollections of the night were not only of torn and crushed bodies, of shattered wards and narrow escapes, but also of old Daddy E., who somewhere about 3 a.m. was found putting his legs out of bed. "Here, Dad, where do you think you're going?" one of our party had said to him. The thin legs were slowly withdrawn again under the bedclothes. "I'm sorry," was the sleepy reply. "I thought it was time to get up."



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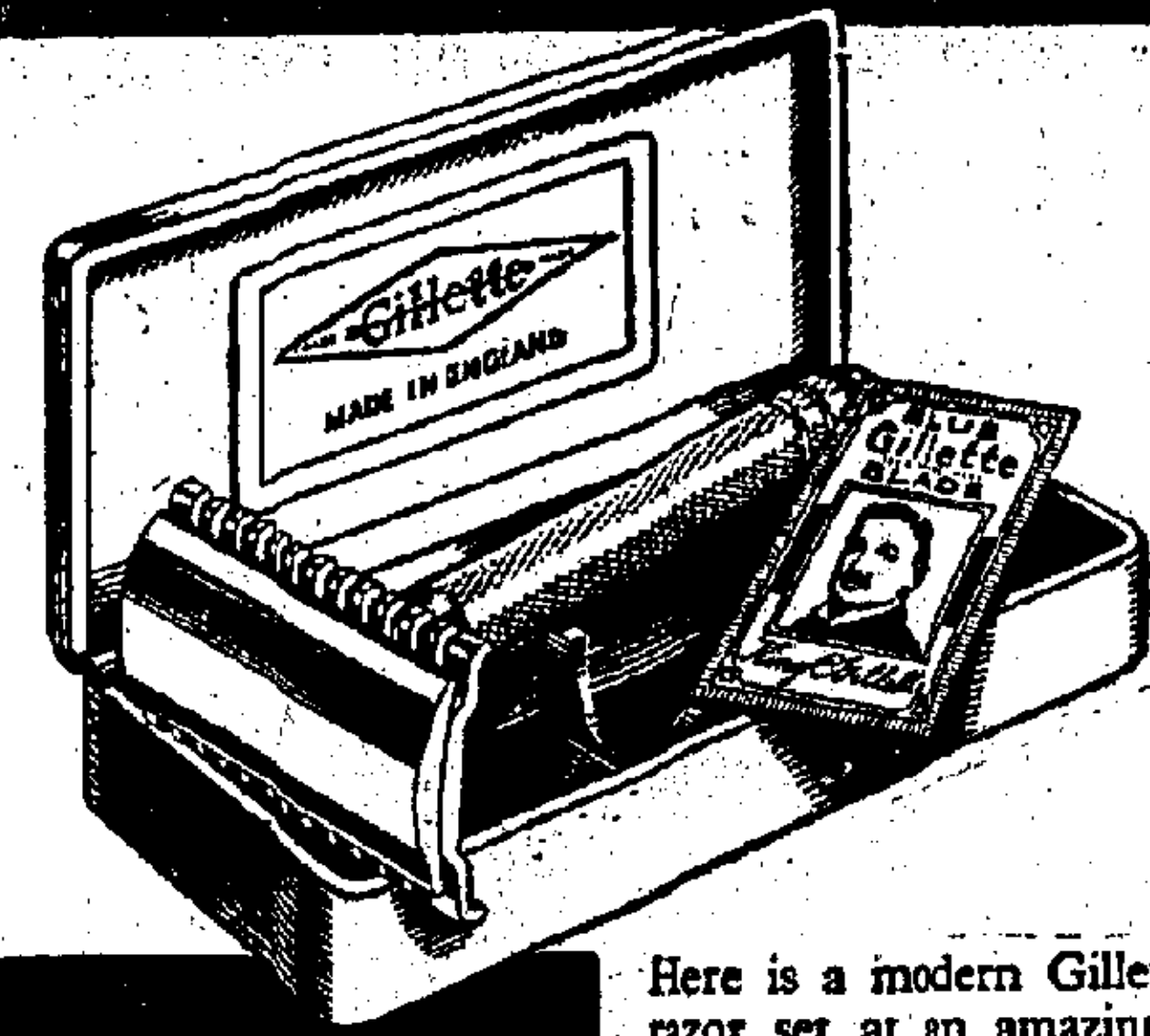
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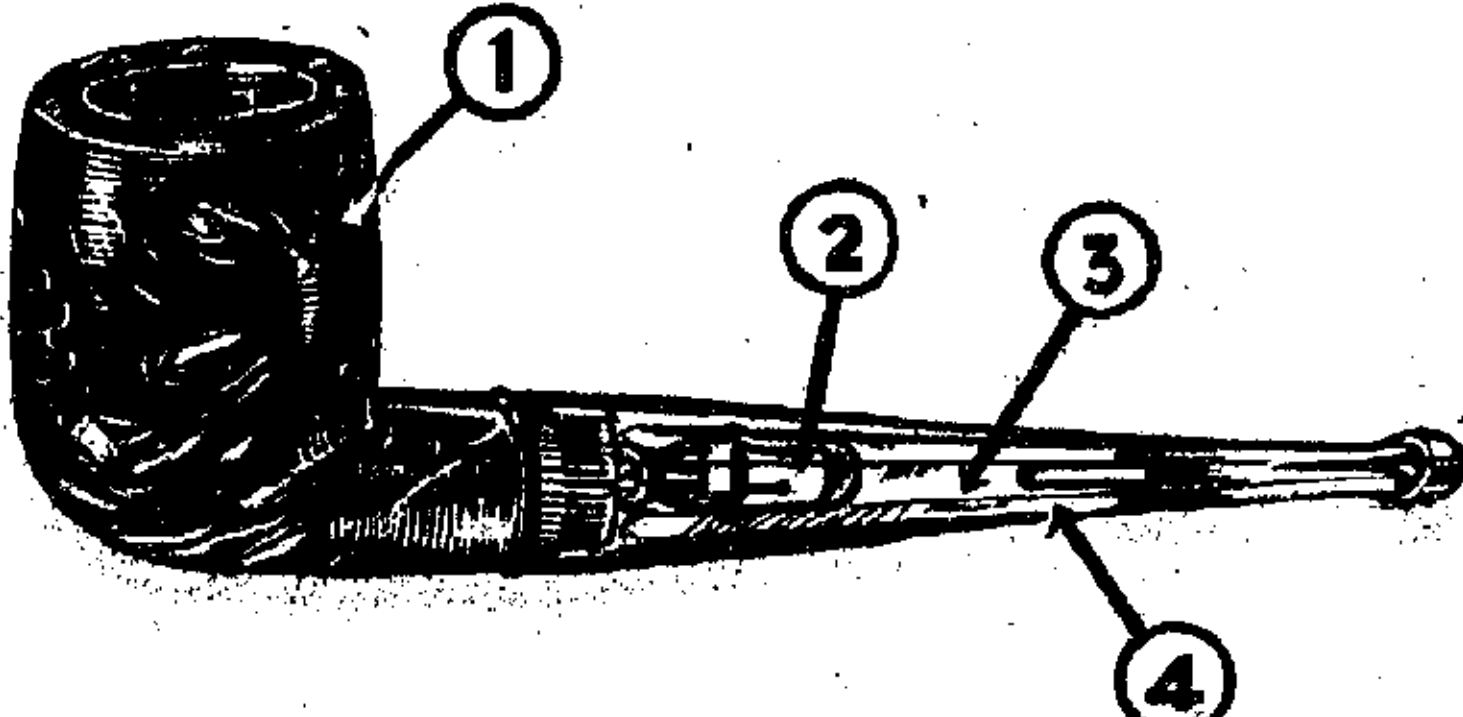


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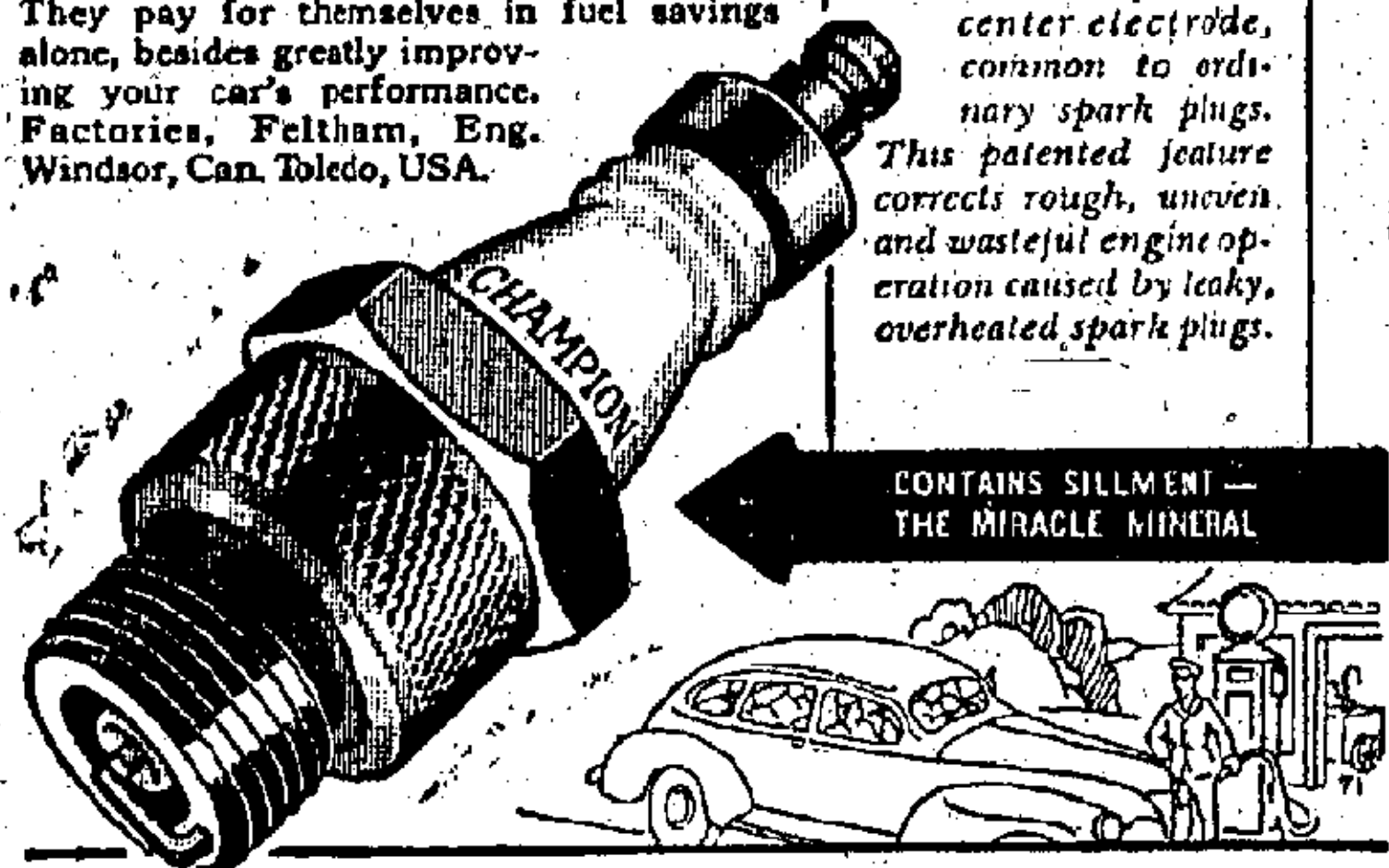
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Back From The Invasion Ports

"French Invasion Ports..." For months these three words often coupled with names so familiar to British tourists on the Continent—Calais, Boulogne, Dieppe, Le Havre, Brest, Lorient, Bordeaux and other lovely old sea resorts—have been repeatedly mentioned in official bulletins recording the R.A.F.'s hammering of the occupied coast of France.

Yet no other information, apart from vague reports, has so far transpired from these coastal regions of France.

A neutral of good education who has just arrived in Britain in Occupied France during January and visited several coastal districts where he had business interests. This is what he told Henry Stone of the Invasion Ports.

When you say "invasion ports" you probably mean ports where the Nazi High Command are likely to concentrate their invasion forces and material at the very last moment before embarking on some evening to launch a big attack on the English coast.

Otherwise I would be inclined to say that "invasion ports" with large concentrations of troops, ships, barges, guns, tanks, ammunition and other war material in docks, ready for invasion at a moment's notice, do not exist. If such did exist, I feel certain that the R.A.F. would soon deal with the "concentration."

The Nazis thought towards the end of last summer of turning important ports such as Dunkirk, Calais, Boulogne, Le Havre and Cherbourg into great invasion bases but repeated attacks by British bombers caused such havoc and resulted in such heavy losses in material—newly-arrived barges lying in scores in the docks, offered admirable targets to British airmen, who destroyed them by the hundred—that the German Command had to change their plans.

For several months there have been hardly any invasion troops stationed in ports where barracks (notably at Boulogne, Le Havre and Brest) received direct hits, causing heavy casualties. The Nazis soon realised that the R.A.F. bombing was a trying experience for the morale of their invasion troops, already affected by the continued "landing" practice in sea waters which German soldiers dread so much.

The men are constantly moved from district to district. They are never more than a fortnight in one quarter. Now they live in villages, farms and specially organised camps and away from the coast. All war material was removed from harbours and stored in secret and well-guarded places in the country.

As for invasion barges, which the Nazis built in vast quantities, they are still to be found in small

batches, all over the Channel coast and on the Atlantic coast, from Brest to La Rochelle. They are generally hidden in tiny, deserted bays and small fishing harbours where the Germans hope the R.A.F. will not be able to discover them.

But, on the other hand, there have been large concentrations of barges along the River Seine from Le Havre to Rouen. I saw them last month. There must have been a few thousands.

Some of them were motorised and made to carry light tanks. I was told there were also hundreds of barges on the upper Somme. But I cannot confirm it as I did not visit that district.

Many invasion troops have recently left Brittany and I was told that some of them, said to be storm troops, were being withdrawn from France to go to the Balkans.

Now for the landing practice which the invasion troops have suffered. It is likely to remain one of the grim jokes of this extraordinary war. This kind of water training has stopped since the early days of January—on the French coast, anyway, for I heard from German soldiers that it was still going on a full swing on the Dutch and Norwegian coasts.

The training began almost immediately after German troops had taken possession of the French Channel and Atlantic coasts.

The Nazis had very few barges at their disposal at the time. They requisitioned every possible boat in all ports, even in the tiniest fishing harbours.

Often, twice a day, they would pack fully equipped soldiers in them and go out to some lonely spot on the coast, a short distance from the harbour, where "landing" practice was carried out.

They always made a point of ordering the men, most of whom were sea-sick, to jump out at a spot near the shore where they had water up to the waist. Often officers in charge made mistakes as to the depth of water at the landing spot.

There were many cases in which men were drowned, and also cases of frightened soldiers declining, or showing themselves so reluctant to take "that horrid bath," as they called it, that officers had to draw their revolvers.

There are plenty of stories all over Brittany (it has been the chief centre for landing exercises) of German soldiers executed, and of scores of grumblers sent to prison following "successful" landing exercises.

For they were always "successful." And on returning to their quarters, wet through, deadly pale and shivering with cold during these winter months, the Fuehrer's would-be invaders of Britain had to do the goose step and sing patriotic songs while marching through either town or village. It was a great spectacle for the French.

For a landing exercise, three or four barges were generally used. Each carried about 200 fully-equipped soldiers, all standing, and machine-guns. Whenever men had showed "no enthusiasm" at a previous practice, they were chained together in threes and had to land together.

The training, which consisted in storming some rock or cliff or in taking a position some distance on a sandy beach, was a sort of nightmare for German soldiers in general. I have seen some crying at the idea that they were in for another landing the next morning.

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At least 20 divisions have been trained for invasion all over the Channel and Atlantic coast since last summer.

What of life in the invasion ports? The position is as follows. The Germans have divided the coastal regions of France into four sectors.

(1) From the Belgian frontier east of Dunkirk to the River Somme is a strictly forbidden zone. This coastal region was almost completely evacuated by the populations at the time of the Nazi Divisions' rush for the coast.

(2) In Zone 2, from the Somme to Le Havre, and the River Seine, the greater part of the population was evacuated on a depth of 25 miles by the Nazi authorities towards the end of the summer. Apart from municipal servants and officials, there were few French people living in the ports.

By HENRY STONE

At Le Havre the results of R.A.F. raids were such that 50,000 German troops had to leave their quarters to seek shelter in the country.

(3 and 4) From Le Havre to Saint-Nazaire to Biarritz (Zone 4), no special measures were taken by the Nazis. So, life along the coasts and in the ports continues normally. If the word normal can apply to present conditions. For instance, the use of the telephone is strictly forbidden except to call a doctor.

In the ports where the Nazis have established U-boat bases—such as Cherbourg, Brest, Lorient and, I believe, Saint-Nazaire—the part of the harbour reserved to submarines is always carefully guarded and no stranger can approach it, except for the R.A.F. pilot bombers. It is surprising how well-informed the R.A.F. is.

In regions three and four of occupied France there is considerable shortage of food in the towns. Conditions are better in the countryside, although requisitions of potatoes and other vegetables, as well as poultry rabbits, etc., by the Nazis, make things extremely difficult for the farmers.

In the coastal districts there is plenty of fish. Fishermen are permitted to go out to sea during the day, but they cannot fish far from the coast, a few miles from the coast and they must be back to harbour at sunset.

If they are caught at sea by Nazi motor-boat patrols after sunset, fishermen are heavily fined, their boats are confiscated and they are sent to prison. For the slightest offence against the rules fishermen of a whole district are often forbidden to go out fishing for two or three days, sometimes for a whole week.

The morale of the French population, notably in the coastal districts, is simply magnificent. They are all Anglophiles and do not hide their feelings. They laugh at the Nazis and have a most profound contempt for their oppressors. Whenever they have a chance to play a practical joke on them they do not miss it.

For example, as soon as it was learnt that General de Gaulle had adopted the Cross of Lorraine as the emblem of the Free French Forces small crosses of Lorraine were sold in shops in one of Britain's big ports, and people, notably women, wore the emblem. The Germans, who did not know what it was, asked women in the streets. They were told this was a "new Paris fashion." Whereupon a great many Nazis bought De Gaulle's emblem and sent it to their wives!

The French people have been so much impressed by the accuracy of the R.A.F. bombing that the populations in ports so often raided by British airmen go out in the streets to watch the explosion of bombs instead of going to shelters. To the astonished Nazis they say: "British airmen are bombing you... not us. Their aim is so precise that we have nothing to fear..."

Some time ago two German planes brought down by R.A.F. men crashed in fields a short distance from a town in lower Normandy. The Germans immediately removed the swastika crosses and other Nazi marks from the wrecked planes and replaced them by British marks. But during the night large posters were stuck

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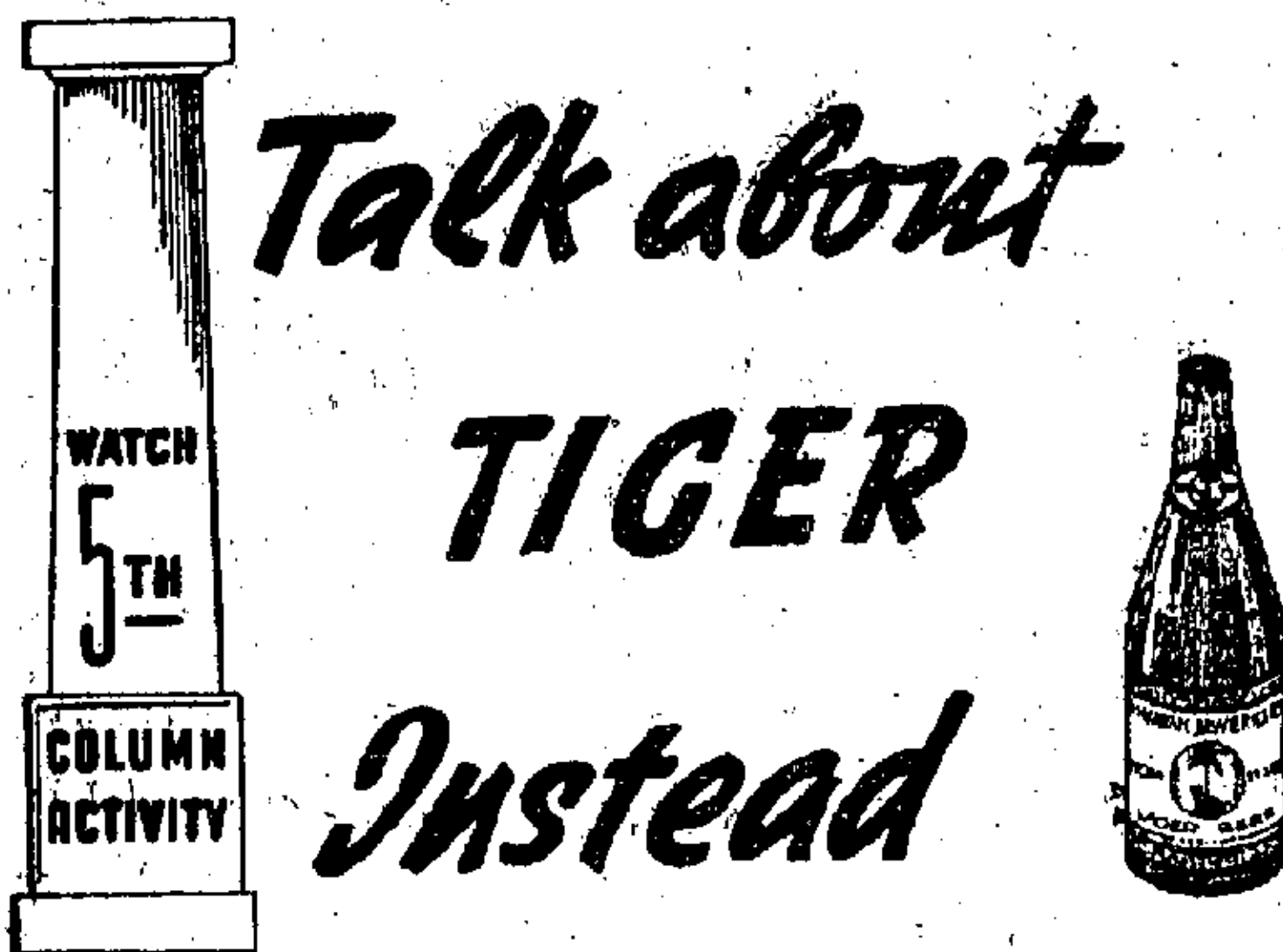
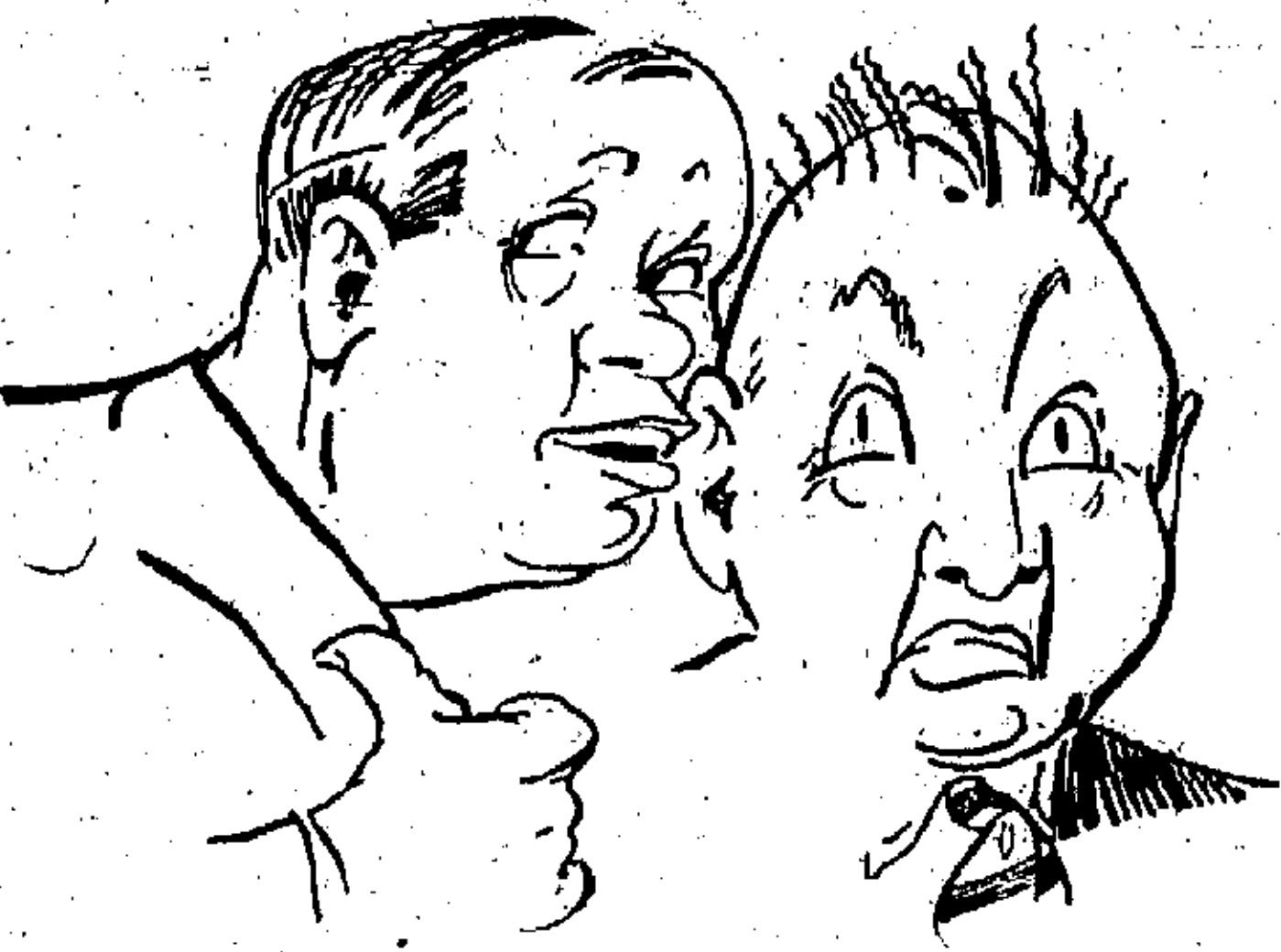
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IMMIGRATION
INQUIRY REPORT

The main findings of the Commission which was appointed to inquire into the Immigration Office "scandal" do not vary importantly from the general verdict at the close of the public hearings. The measure of censure visited upon the shoulders of Mr. R. A. D. Forrest is severe; so severe, indeed, that it is impossible to estimate of Mr. Forrest's capacities any concessions to such mitigating circumstances as are revealed by the exploratory analysis of the well-founded complaints against his administration and his disregard, under stress, of very elementary principles. Those who knew Mr. Forrest well, with all his faults and failings, and his idiosyncrasies, might be prepared to quarrel, too, with certain phraseology dealing with the motives for his actions, open to an interpretation which we feel sure was never in the minds of those whose thankless duty it was to sit in judgment. All this, however, is past. We have neither space nor taste to dwell upon it. Mr. Forrest has gone in shaken health. Yesterday is as dead as the moon.

The second outstanding feature of the report, almost equally vigorous in structure, makes it clear that other departments cannot be absolved of their share in responsibility for the calamity. The charge, reduced to the vernacular, is one of unhelpful, morbid, unimpaired alibi with a marked inclination to pass the buck. The criticism is not new, but its appearance in an official document imposes other duties than merely to have upon record the whole volume of circumstances leading to chaos in a nobody's baby department. We must ask whether the Commission has not laid its finger upon a fundamental failing. Mr. Forrest is condemned as lacking in administrative and organising abilities, and Government for placing him in charge of a new department where these qualities were a primary essential. "Government must have been fully cognisant of his failings," says the Commission, without going on to show why that should necessarily be true. It has, indeed, been represented to us, more than once, that the very contrary is nearer the truth, and that the Government system since it does not encourage, cannot cultivate or reveal it where it exists, high executive capacity in any of its officers. It is not mere accident, or by reason of any real individual ineptitude, that it seems to be essential for keen officers early to shake off the dust of Hong Kong if they aspire to the higher administrative posts in the Colonial Service. The fault lies deep-rooted in the system, and the easy accusation of gradual submergence in a rut is but superficial. Over-centralisation, we would suggest, is at the core of the cancer on the body politic. Initiative and energy are quickly sapped—no defence can long prevail—when heads of departments are prohibited from exercising executive responsibility outside the narrowest limits, when every decision has to be minutely and passed to C.S.O. for approval, when it is impossible to settle the most trivial of matters, especially if it involves fifty cents in cash, without a file which passes through C.S.O., Treasury and any other department which may be remotely concerned, before action can be taken. This cannot be excused for tolerating anywhere inefficiency, but it is a powerfully contributing factor to inadequacy. From that point of view, the innovation suggested by the Commission, unless other drastic reforms are a condition precedent, would render confusion worse confounded.

It is generally believed that Germany cannot win the war short of crushing the British in their home archipelago, whether by starvation consequent on being blockaded, or by actual invasion; nor can the British really win short of crushing the German will and ability to continue fighting. But what is so generally recognised is that the United States capital fleet, based on the Hawaiian archipelago, has long been playing a very important part in the present defence of the British Isles.

The critical question being whether the Germans can starve out and crush the British before the latter turn the tables on them, what are the major strategic factors of the situation?

As most of the points of martial moment in the British Isles are well within a thousand miles of similar places in Germany, aerial warfare on such a scale that it may determine the outcome is practicable—which would not be the case if the opponents were very much farther apart. But the initial mass bombing of England in the autumn of 1940 proved that, although the German air force was vastly greater in numbers than that of the British, nevertheless it would have to be very greatly expanded in order to devastate the British Isles sufficiently for conquest.

As Germany and the German-occupied territories have a greater capacity to produce aeroplanes than the British alone, the latter's hope of ultimately defeating Germany rests on receiving from America numbers of first-rate aeroplanes in excess of what they themselves can produce. But American aeroplane plants have been so slow in coming into the requisite mass production and safety for the time being rests on drawing off a large part of the German preponderance in production, and other forces, until such time as American planes can be delivered in numbers great enough to surpass the Germans.

Fortunately, the British naval blockade of Germany and of the German-occupied territories had so constricted Germany's supplies by last autumn that Hitler felt obliged to increase his sources of martial material and of food-stuffs by trying to bring under his control all of the sources of the Balkan Peninsula so as ultimately to get access to the oil wells of Iraq and Iran; and to try to do this, as he has in the cases of Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria, by so overawing them that they would do without fighting, thus enabling Hitler to conserve his forces.

Again, Hitler's plan for the quasi-peaceful conquest of the Balkans was very seriously upset by a colossal mistake on the part of Mussolini, who tried to grab Greece for Italy and thus started real fighting in the Balkans.

It seems regrettable that the Greco-British campaign collapsed instead of developing into such an offensive as would have shown Turkey on which side her safety lay, an offensive that would have engaged more and more German land and air forces, diverting them to the southeast from the major British vs. German battle.

THE governing factor in the reconstruction of politics after the war will be the victory of Labour over the Conservatives, or the victory of the Labour Party, and perhaps it will not be. But the victory of Labour doctrine looks like being as permanent as anything can be. The doctrine of Labour tends generally towards the coming of the omniscient State, and this it seeks to temper and control by fostering the freedom of associations within the State. We now have both the system and the tempering control in a form as nearly absolute as makes no matter and on any showing, the condition of survival in the difficult and complex post-war world will be to retain the omniscient State system of government. Thus, although there are still a few details to be filled in, they are only details, and Labour has gained the chief point of its programme.

But Labour won its victory by Conservative goodwill and votes. If the votes were a war-time victory, much of it was not. For some years past, most important wing of the Conservative Party has shown itself to be strongly in favour of socialist measures, even though it generally took good care not to call them by that name. But most of the proposals made by the "Younger Conservatives" to deal with unemployment and rearmament were either openly socialist or else of such a kind that they required a socialist system to make them work. The extent to which the strategy of the Conservative party will one day be governed by its present left wing is yet uncertain, but it

man situation in the northwest. On the other hand, Winston Churchill has recently told us that the British armies in the Near East now number about half a million men—which forecasts a long campaign there on a large scale. And that merely an eighth of them were thrown into Greece, and so withdrawn after slight losses suggests that more and more German forces may be drawn over longer and longer and harder and harder lines of communication into the Near East, while the British better their own lines.

But be that as it may, and regardless of whether the far Eastern campaign re-enters the Balkans or withdraws south and east of Suez, it seems clear that, thanks to Mussolini's mistake, the Germans have been diverted into such an extensive campaign southeastward that American planes may soon be able to strike in adequate increments before the Germans can concentrate there in sufficient force.

While the initial British forces and equipment in the Near East came, in the main, from the British Isles, most of their forces now there have been drawn and

supplied from Australia, New Zealand, Malaya, Burma and India. And recently about twenty American ships laden with martial material arrived at Suez, while many more are en route there from the United States. But, as the shallow bottleneck of the Mediterranean, where Africa is merely seventy-five miles from Sicily, has long been practically closed, and as it is far from certain that the Strait of Gibraltar can be kept open, it follows that the British campaign in the Near East may depend on men and material shipped either by the Canal of Good Hope or westward across the Indian Ocean from Australia and Singapore to the Red Sea and the Gulf of Persia.

In short, the British campaign in the Near East, into which German forces seem to have been diverted from the British Isles, is dependent on keeping control over the Indian Ocean.

The particularistic aims of the Japanese, for decades, have been to gain control of the eastern and southern Asia and over the islands of the Pacific; for there, and especially in the region within a thousand miles of Singapore, are the sources of the supplies of rubber, tin, jade, vegetable oils, tungsten and antimony vital to both American and British industry in both war and peace. It undoubtedly seemed to the Japanese that they could best attain their own aims as open, although not belligerent, partners of the Germans and Italians. Having made that choice, the future of the Japanese would depend on the defeat of the British—which would be made more probable if quick collapse could be effected. The Japanese campaign, because its vital lines of support had been cut in the Indian Ocean.

Unaided, the British might not

prevent the Japanese from striking them such a blow in the back. For while the British have a great naval base at Singapore, such a base, even though impregnable, is of little more use than a great gun without ammunition if an adequate fleet for operations from it is not available.

In view of such circumstances, it was quite logical of Hitler to demand of Mr. Matsuo, on the latter's last visit to Berlin, that the Japanese attack the British lines of communication in the Indian Ocean—whereupon the British Near Eastern campaign would collapse and the Germans could quickly concentrate on the conquest of the British Isles, while the Japanese could take over Britain's possessions "east of Suez."

On the other hand, it was much more thoughtful of Mr. Matsuo to refuse Hitler's demands. For the incomparable United States capital fleet, now based on Hawaii, and its auxiliaries for "dispersed" control operations, are now fully ready to drive the Japanese fleet and merchant shipping into their home harbours.

That doing so would not involve us in as difficult a war as might be thought follows from the Japanese now being critically overstrained at home, because of their over-extension in China and toward the priceless East Indies. Close American ports to what remains of Japanese external trade, and their internal economy would promptly collapse—whereupon would follow extensive and dramatic American naval operations in "mopping up" operations as to the outcome of which only the Japanese need be fearful.

It should be realised that the United States fleet on the Pacific is now performing its primary proper function; namely, that of being so manifestly able to enforce respect for American policies there that it will not have to fight for them. For such powerful enforcement is incomparably preferable to the wastage of war, and especially now that we would rather not be diverted from the critical trans-Atlantic consequences of others having tried to meet imperialism by appeasement.

On the other hand, if the United States fleet on the Pacific were to be substantially reduced, then the Japanese might feel safe in striking!

But, as things stand, the United States fleet on the Pacific is keeping the Japanese from attacking the British lines of communication on the Indian Ocean; lines of communication on which the British campaign in the Near East is largely dependent; a campaign the principal purpose of which is to divert enough German land and air forces from concentration on the conquest of the British Isles until enough American aeroplanes and other material reach them for the offensive.

May I add that all that has been said above—and more—with respect to Singapore and naval control east of Suez, I said eighteen years ago to the Admiralty and colonial officials during the first of my several visits to Singapore.

By W. A. GARDINER

Battle Of Ideas:

Conservative Socialism

By Canon. Lloyd

THE governing factor in the reconstruction of politics after the war will be the victory of Labour over the Conservatives, or the victory of the Labour Party, and perhaps it will not be. But the victory of Labour doctrine looks like being as permanent as anything can be. The doctrine of Labour tends generally towards the coming of the omniscient State, and this it seeks to temper and control by fostering the freedom of associations within the State. We now have both the system and the tempering control in a form as nearly absolute as makes no matter and on any showing, the condition of survival in the difficult and complex post-war world will be to retain the omniscient State system of government. Thus, although there are still a few details to be filled in, they are only details, and Labour has gained the chief point of its programme.

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seems clear that the influence of the Younger Conservatives will grow and not lessen. For they, too, have won their victory over the Old Guard, and they have now got political problems into the mould of the omniscient State where they believe them potentially soluble. Not even the most inveterate die-hard will be able to go back on that.

That being so, what is the future of Conservatism? If, broadly speaking, it has always stood for less rather than more State control, and for the rights of the individual as against that of the State, is there a place for it in the present and future of political conditions? Surely there is, and that place is one of quite vital importance. To justify that statement it is necessary to ask and to answer two questions.

First, why do so many young men whose ruling passion is for social justice, who believe that they can best work for it by entering Parliament, but whose party conviction because they are young, choose to stand as Conservatives? They often choose it deliberately, knowing very well that they must sit among members and serve under a whip whose ideals are certainly not theirs. It is because they are convinced, rightly or wrongly, that given the party-system, the Conservative Party is the only one which can really unite the nation. This conviction the best of them immediately put into practice in their own constituencies by faithfully spending a good deal of time there, and by being most scrupulous in their efforts to represent all the people, and not merely those who voted for them.

THIS WEEK

When last week there developed unmistakable signs that Hitler was putting the screws on Russia, all competent opinion agreed that the massive troop concentrations were symptomatic of nothing more deadly than a show for impression's sake. Stalin would hedge, Stalin would haggle, but Stalin would also, at the crucial test, capitulate, conceding the minimum, but avoiding conflict. If a dash came, it would arise from the peril inherent in large armies face to face across a long frontier, not from the deliberate act of the chief figures in the political drama.

Out Of The Smokescreen

That confident estimate of the shape and size of Russo-German relations has, in the last 48 hours, been rudely shaken. Whatever finally emerges from the immense smokescreen, nothing is more certain than this: Russia's security is to-day at hazard as never yet. Turkey has been neutralised, Rumania and Finland have obediently mobilised. Germany preserves that tone of strict reserve which bodes ill tidings for the nation of immediate interest. The great weight of Germany's bomber strength has not been concentrated against the British Isles for many days. These simple facts are not the trophies of a chase among the welter of wild rumour, assertion and contradiction; they are the incontrovertible signs that Hitler will not, this time, be content with half-measures. For Stalin, they are an omen that the broad cast upon the waters in August, 1939, may now be returning, after many days.

Stirring Up The Atmosphere

Emphatic as are the portents, it would not be wise to draw the inference that a German invasion of Russia is certain. The most that can be said at this moment is that Hitler is not unprepared to apply as well as to threaten force, and that the electrified atmosphere of the past few days, of confusing, bewildering rumour, circulated at German inspiration. Stalin's problem is complicated by the certain knowledge that if Hitler wants something and wants it imperatively, it is not because it is intended to be advantageous to Soviet Russia. His anxieties are not lessened by German military movements strongly suggestive of the possibility that Hitler may not wait for an answer.

The Pact With Turkey

Germany's non-aggression pact with Turkey converted most observers to an alarming view of the situation than any other factor. There is no evidence that it represented anything more than a paper concession on Turkey's part. It specifically ruled out any German suggestion that the Anglo-Turkish understanding had been altered. Turkey proceeded under no illusion that she was receiving anything more valuable than a German guarantee of immunity from attack. She stubbornly resisted, with a show of confidence born of the British action in Syria and the transfer of German troops to Moldavia, an agreement of a more extended character. It was not a far stride from this conclusion to the further finding, that one of the main objects in Germany's signature to this emasculated pact of friendship was not unopposed.

Test Of Blood Pressure

Relations between the United States and the Axis have already been brought close to the breaking point by the demand for the withdrawal by Germany of all Nazi propaganda agencies. It provided a shock from which even Captain Wiedemann, at San Francisco took time to recover, but the German protest was rejected out of hand. Germany—and Italy, in haste to get her blow in first—look retaliatory measures, but if as Signor Gayda insistently asserted, America's real object was to good Germany into rupturing diplomatic relations, knowledge in Berlin that Japan's enthusiasm for the tripartite pact is cooling off continued to impel self-control.

Ultimatum At Damascus

Syrian operations entered a new phase with the broadcast ultimatum by General Sir Maitland Wilson to General Dering giving him the opportunity of surrendering Damascus without bloodshed or damage to the city. Fighting developed to an intensive scale which removed the necessity for a verbal reply by the Vichy leader. The French troops have been American sufferers in some bitter action, and progress has been almost painfully slow. No indication is present of German aid to the Vichy troops, and the estimate holds good that with the fall of Damascus and Beirut, further effective resistance will collapse.

Battle Of The Tanks

In the Western Desert, General Wavell, strained every German resource within 150 miles of Sollum by a sustained attack on the Nazi spearhead which developed into a three-day battle. At the close of some furious fighting, the British forces withdrew to their original positions, justifying, prima facie, the inference that General Wavell met with a reverse. One test of the result, perhaps, is that the Germans were too exhausted to make any attempt to hamper the withdrawal. Incidental to the main battle, Nazi pressure on Tobruk has been relieved by the necessity to divert forces to Bardia and Capuzzo. It is that offensive power has been seriously weakened for an appreciable period. The R.A.F. established complete mastery of the air over the battle zone. That was an achievement which will not readily be forgotten by General Rommel.

No Short Cuts

No matter how events shape themselves, Britain will be faced with new emergencies and threats of a widening of the range of the battle of Empire. We dare not pre-empt ourselves. Mr. Churchill has said and repeated that there is no short cut to victory. Whether the blow falls as a matter of course into Russia or a meek subservience of Soviet Russia as a partner in the Axis, the prospect for the Democracies is German capacity to prolong resistance to the gathering might of Britain and the United States. Little faith is placed in the ability of the Red Army to stem the Nazi hordes if one further act of naked aggression is Hitler's concession to "Mein Kampf." He will take nothing less peacefully than he can wrest by force.

Challenge Of A Long War

The safety-valve for Britain lies in one comfortable consideration. No matter how swiftly Hitler moves in the east, he has been compelled to accept the challenge of a long war. In the next six months, America cannot help us enough in time unless we help ourselves to the uttermost. It is not permitted to believe that we shall still be coming through in full volume, long before German powers of organisation can exploit Soviet economic power, her oil and granaries to turn again in unrequited violence upon the West if we have crept successfully from the ordeal of summer and autumn.

America's Path

In private discussion, some several weeks ago, we ventured the prophecy that the United States would take the final plunge and enter the war as an active belligerent by the end of June. Unless we gravely mistake the tone and temper of the Administration and people of America, the guess will not be proved grotesquely wrong. On the sealans of the world, the United States is already prepared to contest the right of way. President Roosevelt's forthright declaration of the pair of statements upon the United States by the sinking of the "Robin Moor" could be open to no milder interpretation.

Hitler The Outlaw

President Roosevelt's unrestrained condemnation of Germany's total disregard for the elementary principle of international law, his expression of the view that the sinking of the "Robin Moor" was deliberately ordered for the purpose of intimidating the United States, of serving notice of Herr Hitler's contempt for the American doctrine of the freedom of the seas, left little room for doubt that direct action is intended. If details were not given in the President's message to Congress, it was for the obvious reason that Hitler will discover for himself soon enough.

Relations between the United States and the Axis have already been brought close to the breaking point by the demand for the withdrawal by Germany of all Nazi propaganda agencies. It provided a shock from which even Captain Wiedemann, at San Francisco took time to recover, but the German protest was rejected out of hand. Germany—and Italy, in haste to get her blow in first—look retaliatory measures, but if as Signor Gayda insistently asserted, America's real object was to good Germany into rupturing diplomatic relations, knowledge in Berlin that Japan's enthusiasm for the tripartite pact is cooling off continued to impel self-control.

Ultimatum At Damascus

Syrian operations entered a new phase with the broadcast ultimatum by General Sir Maitland Wilson to General Dering giving him the opportunity of surrendering Damascus without bloodshed or damage to the city. Fighting developed to an intensive scale which removed the necessity for a verbal reply by the Vichy leader. The French troops have been American sufferers in some bitter action, and progress has been almost painfully slow. No indication is present of German aid to the Vichy troops, and the estimate holds good that with the fall of Damascus and Beirut, further effective resistance will collapse.

Battle Of The Tanks

In the Western Desert, General Wavell, strained every German resource within 150 miles of Sollum by a sustained attack on the Nazi spearhead which developed into a three-day battle. At the close of some furious fighting, the British forces withdrew to their original positions, justifying, prima facie, the inference that General Wavell met with a reverse. One test of the result, perhaps, is that the Germans were too exhausted to make any attempt to hamper the withdrawal. Incidental to the main battle, Nazi pressure on Tobruk has been relieved by the necessity to divert forces to Bardia and Capuzzo. It is that offensive power has been seriously weakened for an appreciable period. The R.A.F. established complete mastery of the air over the battle zone. That was an achievement which will not readily be forgotten by General Rommel.

SCRUTATOR.

CONGRESS SUPPORTS PRESIDENT

Will Not Tolerate U-Boat Attacks

Rupture Of Relations Possible

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

IMMEDIATE REACTION OF ALL AMERICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS TO THE ROOSEVELT MESSAGE IS FAVOURABLE.

They indicate they will give full support to the forceful declaration that the United States will not tolerate attacks on its shipping or acquiesce in German plans for world conquest or be intimidated into changing its policy of all-out material aid to Britain.

The State Department indicated that a stern diplomatic protest, citing Germany's violation of international law, is being sent to Berlin.

If an assurance is not forthcoming that there will be no further attacks on American shipping, there is little doubt in Government quarters that a rupture of diplomatic relations might result.—International News Service.

Roosevelt's Points

Main points in President Roosevelt's message to Congress were:—

The United States does not propose to yield the use of the high seas to Germany.

The general purpose of the sinking of the "Robin Moor" was to drive American commerce from the ocean wherever such commerce was considered a disadvantage to German designs.

Its specific purpose was the interruption of American trade with all friendly countries.

The sinking was a warning to the United States not to resist the Nazi movement of world conquest.

The sinking was a flagrant violation of the right of United States vessels freely to navigate the seas.

The German action in sinking the "Robin Moor" was the act of an international outlaw.

The United States held Germany responsible and expected full reparation.

No reliance could be placed on German declarations, statements and solemn promises.

London Impressed

THE LONDON NEWSPAPERS YESTERDAY GAVE FIRST PLACE TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS BRANDING THE SINKING OF THE "ROBIN MOOR" AS THE ACT OF AN "INTERNATIONAL OUTLAW."

Typical headings were:—"Daily Telegraph"—"Roosevelt condemns Nazi piracy."

"Daily Express"—"Germany will not drive the United States off the high seas."

"Daily Herald"—"Roosevelt calls Hitler outlaw."—Reuter.

German Silent

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

The German Government is maintaining a momentary silence while studying President Roosevelt's denunciation of the "Robin Moor" sinking, but there are indications in official quarters that no reply will be sent, it being "purely a domestic affair."

One official said the message to Congress was "more or less what we are accustomed to hear from Roosevelt."—International News Service.



These pictures of paratroops under instruction were obtained at a secret R.A.F. Station in Britain where the Army and Air Force are collaborating in training. This photo shows the air filled with falling paratroops during a demonstration flight. Still another man is seen leaving the plane. Equipment containers are attached to coloured parachutes which are dropped with the men. (Copyright, Fox).

BERLIN LOSING PATIENCE

So little is known of actual living conditions in Berlin that even when such information must be accepted with the strictest caution it is interesting to read an article in the Swiss newspaper "Die Tat" from its Berlin correspondent.

He says: "There is a prevailing mood among the German people (my description as exceeding irritation).

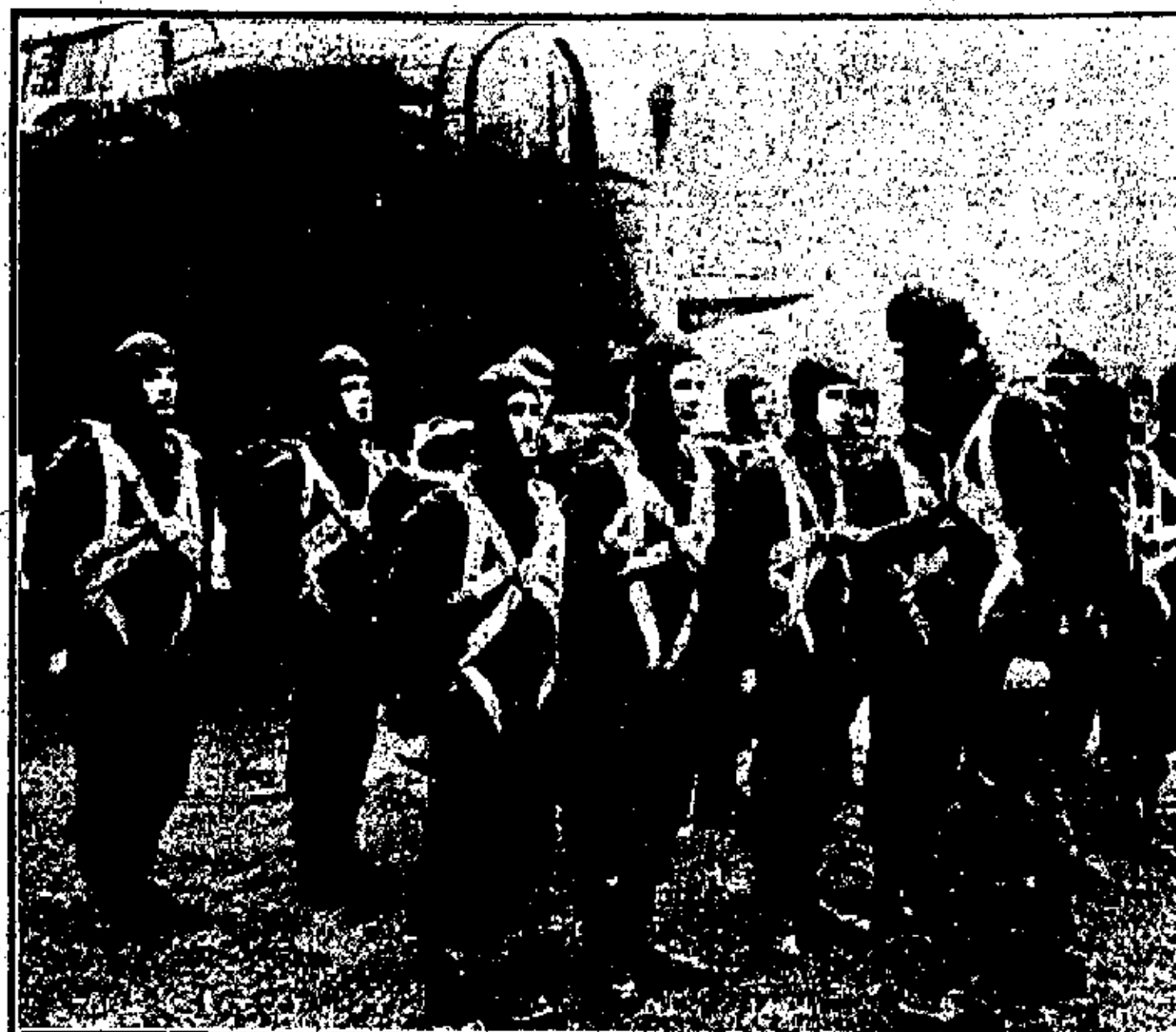
"Housewives queuing up are probably loudest in their grumblings and vent their ire without bringing serious consequences on themselves."

"Rations are unexpectedly shorter, this summer, which is attributed to the necessity for laying in stocks to tide over a long period. Nobody knows why."

"Many people are only kept going by habit, for their privations began so long before the war that the youth of Germany does not know any higher standard of living than the present one."

"Everybody is trusting that the war will end this year as Hitler promised. From the humblest workman to the big-scale employer, all cling to and talk of this prophecy."

"The poorer classes are beginning to look ragged as the cloth rationing system does not cover the barest needs and the quality of ersatz materials has deteriorated."—British Wireless.



Here parachute troops are on parade before entering the air. Their parachute harness is carefully inspected to see that it is correctly fitted. (Copyright, Fox).

CYNJO OFF ON THIRD PACIFIC ATTEMPT

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

THE CYNJO, ONE of the smallest vessels ever to attempt the Pacific crossing, which left Shanghai on Friday, expects to average 100 miles a day under full sail.

On board are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sever, and two crew, Thomas Bower, a Canadian, and Wickah, an American, both former members of the Shanghai Municipal Police.

Built in Hong Kong for the express purpose of navigating 9,000 miles of open ocean, the Cynjo has made two previous attempts to cross the Pacific.

The first was last summer, when the vessel, after leaving Hong Kong, struck a typhoon and was blown onto Formosa where the Japanese authorities temporarily detained the vessel. The second effort was this Spring, when the yacht ran onto rocks off Woosung and returned for repairs.

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Mr. Sever plans to sail directly for Wake Island and then Honolulu, where his parents reside. He hopes to reach Los Angeles eventually.—International News Service.

PRINCE OLAF ON THE TYNE

Prince Olaf of Norway made a tour to the Tyne yesterday. He visited Norwegian ships on the river and conversed with officers and crew.—British Wireless.

CRETE BATTLES AT PALACE

Brigadier-General Ingles, of the New Zealand Army, who took part in the Battle of Crete, was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace on Friday.—British Wireless.

At A Minute's Notice

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

President Roosevelt's order placing all petroleum products under the most rigid export licence control will enable an oil embargo to be invoked all over the nation at a moment's notice.

Informed quarters in Washington are of opinion that the President will officially embargo all oil shipments from the East Coast except to Britain, Egypt and Latin-America.

THIS MEANS THAT JAPAN, RUSSIA AND OTHER NATIONS MUST APPLY FOR A LICENCE BEFORE TAKING ANY TYPE OF OIL OR OIL PRODUCTS FROM THE UNITED STATES—EITHER FROM EAST, WEST OR THE GULF PORTS.—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

BADLANDS' DEFIANCE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

COMMISSIONER PAN DAH, OF THE SHANGHAI "BADLANDS" SPECIAL POLICE, EMPHATICALLY STATED YESTERDAY HE WOULD CLOSE DOWN GAMBLING DENS AS SOON AS THEY REOPEN.

He said he had no information that, as previously reported, four dens had reopened.

Reports that the dens reopened with the permission of the Nan-king regime lack confirmation.

The Commissioner promised a full investigation into the reports.—International News Service.



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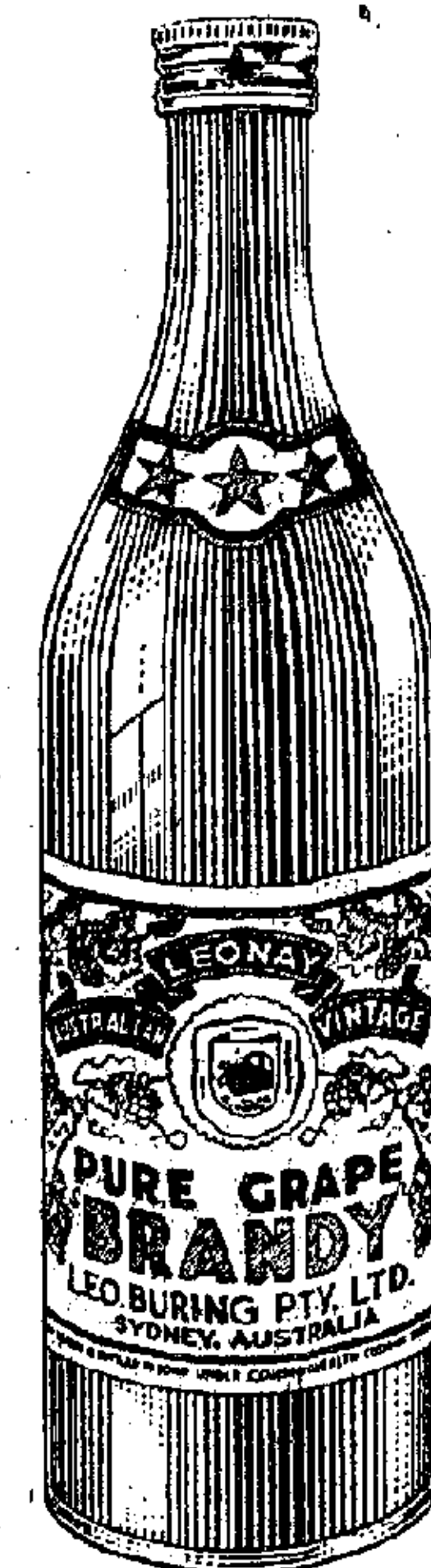
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CLARE'S PAGE FOR WOMEN

SEVERAL DEPARTURES

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A corner of the H.K. Women's International Club where Mrs. M. H. Turner held her "White Elephant" sale in aid of the "South China Morning Post" Bomber Fund and All Souls (London) Comfort Fund. The helpers in this photograph are, from left to right, Mrs. A. H. Potts, Mrs. P. J. T. Skipwith, Mrs. Turner, and Mrs. H. Overy. (Staff Photographer)

Prominent Resident Leaving

There will be many who will mourn the departure of Mrs. L. Dunbar for California next Wednesday. She leaves after a stay of some 25 years' residence in the Colony and will take with her a large collection of property. Mrs. Dunbar is accompanied by her daughter, Miss Margaret Dunbar, who is also leaving for California. Mrs. Dunbar is a prominent resident of the Colony and has been a member of the H.K. Women's International Club since its inception in 1937. She is a devoted mother and a successful businesswoman. Her departure is a significant loss to the Colony.

Bride-To-Be

Marriage and a desire to "join up" is sending Miss Rachel Smalley to England on July 23rd. As yet the bride-to-be is ignorant of any of the arrangements connected with the wedding. That is a matter which will be decided when she reaches home and when she meets her future husband, Mr. H. W. Brown, formerly of Macdonald & Co., Hong Kong, who is the lucky man. Miss Smalley recently graduated as a medical student of Hong Kong University, receiving her M.B. B.S. degrees, which should stand her in good stead with the Medical Service at home. She is the daughter of Dr. J. T. Smalley, or need we tell you?

To Australia

Australia bound is Miss Anna Wright who will be leaving us on July 3rd for a vacation in Sydney and Melbourne. She will stay for a part of the time with her younger sister who is also studying at the Commercial College in Sydney.

Modesty And Its Sequel

The characters in this little story shall remain nameless, for obvious reasons. We came to hear of it quite by accident — during a mood of exuberance which caused a certain group of men to forget our presence, or at least the need to lower their voices if they do not wish to be overheard.

It seems that a number of Army officers, accustomed to bathing in the nude at Stanley at an hour when they can almost always be assured of strict privacy, one day found that two members of the opposite sex had also chosen that very moment to sport in the sea. There was nothing else for it but to pitch up a tent (they had already brought their bathers for an emergency like this) and undress in due modesty within its protecting walls. Imagine their astonishment when, in return for the courtesy, the offending women cast garments to the four winds and with great aplomb tripped calmly into the sea!

(Moral: Little girls should never, never undress in front of men — they're likely to tell on you!)



Mrs. Lambert Dunbar

Humorous Grounds For Divorce

William Wilson divorced his wife because she took his false teeth and held them for ransom. In Paris a woman sued her husband for divorce, because she had six children.

"While my husband never actually struck me," testified Mrs. Sarah Sanders, "he would go around slamming his fist against the doors and saying, 'I wish it was you.'"

A deaf and dumb couple in Missouri were divorced on the husband's plea, that the wife nagged him in the sign language.

In Illinois, a wife sued for divorce because her husband forced her to make pancakes for use as poker chips.

A woman in Oklahoma asked for a divorce when, after a quarrel, her husband roared at her, "Mrs. X, I won't be home to-night! That's final!" through a telephone he had borrowed for the purpose.

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I'd like to look at some dresses please. Yes, of course the bargains—but how did you know? That's a pretty green one over there. Sonny you sit here and hold my bundles while I go try it on. I'll be right back. Oh what a shame—it's too big. Now don't try to tell me it just fits. I'm the one who is swimming around in it, not you. And if you ever let go of that bunch you're holding in the back it would fall right off! I can't help it if you have got a dressmaker. Say—if she took in this dress she could make three more out of it. Take it off me and bring over that mousy coloured one. Tan my eye. We have a mouse in our attic which is the same colour as this. It would fit it! I had a corner on? Well let me tell you something. I HATE ONE. ON. I look as though I were poured into this and forgot to say when. Looks like the berries, huh? The razz berries if you ask me. Say haven't you anything in my size? Let's see that little number hanging up. It's rather cheap, looking, but... of for goodness sake—it's my own dress. Well, I'll try

on the brown one. On second thought just wrap it up and let me out of here. Alright, alright it doesn't fit I can always use it for a dust rag. Let's see, now I'll have to buy a hat to match and then I'll have to get a purse to match the hat and... What will Sonny say? I'll have to buy him another lunch.

Come on Sonny while I look at a hat. Give me the bundles. Where are they? You what? You sold them all as grab bags? Say you can make money faster than your father.

Now Sonny you sit here and behave yourself while I try on a few hats. No I'm not going to hide behind a curtain this time. But Sonny I couldn't try on a dress right in the middle of the store with all those people. What? Oh, be quiet. Here—give me your money before you auction that off to.

Do you call this a hat? I'd hate to tell you what it reminds me of. Haven't you something with a little more material and less veil? Sonny stop pulling the feathers out of all the hats. I don't care if you do want to play Indian. You've whooped it up enough already.

No I don't like this. Why? Because I can go home and put on any little gadget around the house, tack a piece of celery on the side and it would look better than this—that's why.

Come on Sonny—let's go home. Sonny—where are you? Well what are you doing in the window? Oh—you're window shopping!

"Bon Voyage" Party

A surprise Cocktail and Buffet Supper was held at The Hermitage.

Women's Fingers Growing Larger

A jeweller told me an alarming fact the other day. Women's fingers, he reports, are growing larger. Thirty years ago, if you can recall, milady's fingers were tiny. Many women, when buying rings, used to take children's sizes to get a fit. Now the children for whom those rings were designed by jewellers have to go into men's sizes to circle their knuckles. The average wedding ring, we are told, is now about two sizes bigger than your average mother wore. Naturally, other fingers are just as big, on the average. You'll note that we branded this state of affairs as alarming. We think so, for we regard delicate fingers as the last landmark of a fading femininity. Female voices have gone coarse, so have manners, and it's difficult to detect delicacy in modern feet; feet have expanded along with the suffrage movement—Woman's Life, Dublin.

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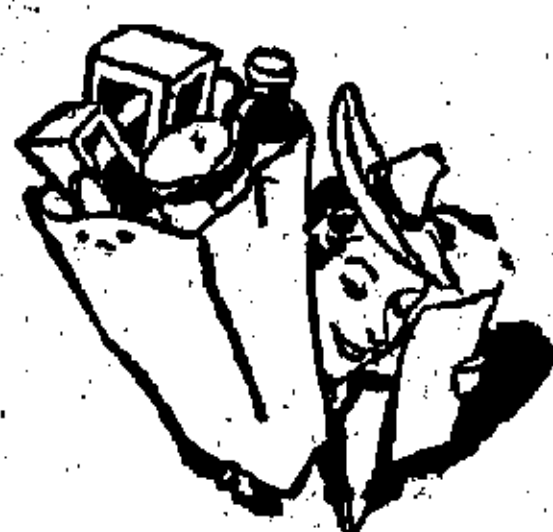
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EASY AND PLEASANT



'Not Yet' Said G.B.S.

"G.B.S." has said "No" to
"Eliza" of his "Pygmalion." She
wanted to publish "love letters"
written to her by Mr. George Bern-
ard Shaw. If permission could
be obtained.

Said "G.B.S." "They must
wait till the old gentleman who
wrote them can no longer make
them ridiculous by their white
hairs."

Mrs. Pat Campbell, who was
the original "Eliza" of "Pygmal-
ion" and idolised actress of late
Victorian and Edwardian days,
made the request in her will
which was published recently.

Mrs. Campbell, who in private
life was Mrs. Beatrice Cornhill-
West, died at the age of 75. Her
pet name for Mr. Shaw was
"Joey." In her memories she pub-
lished a number of the 1912 let-
ters—written when "G.B.S." was
56. "His wilder letters I do not
give," she wrote.

In one of the letters published
"G.B.S." wrote: "I hope you
have lost your good looks. For
while they last any fool can adore
you and the adoration of fools is
bad for the soul. No, give me a
ruined complexion and a lost fig-
ure, and sixteen chins and a
fairyard of crows' feet and an
obvious wig. Then you shall see
me come out strong. I shall never
quite get over it. I mean the
falling in love. I haven't been
quite the same since. Have you
quite the same devil?"

"G.B.S." now 84, made this
comment to a reporter: "Forty-
five years ago everybody wrote
love letters to Mrs. Patrick Camp-
bell. I knew she thought mine
the best of the bunch, though I
myself think those of Burne-Jones
full of his drawings, are more
interesting."

"All of them were from mar-
ried men and quite innocent. Be-
fore the copyright expires they
will I hope, provide for the
education of her great-grand-
children, but they must wait till
the old gentleman who wrote them
can no longer make them ridi-
culous by their white hairs."

Forty-five years ago Mrs.
Campbell was 39, Bernard Shaw
39—and unmarried—and Sir Ed-
ward Burne-Jones, the noted
painter, was 61.

Mrs. Campbell had asked that
the letters and poems should be
published in their proper se-
quence, not cut or altered in any
way, and that they should be pub-
lished in an independent volume
to be entitled: "The Love Let-
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to contrast with it; also a medium
bone crochet hook.

Look carefully at the diagram
and you will see the shape of the
front piece. Best plan is to cut a

paper pattern to the measure-
ments given to act as a guide.

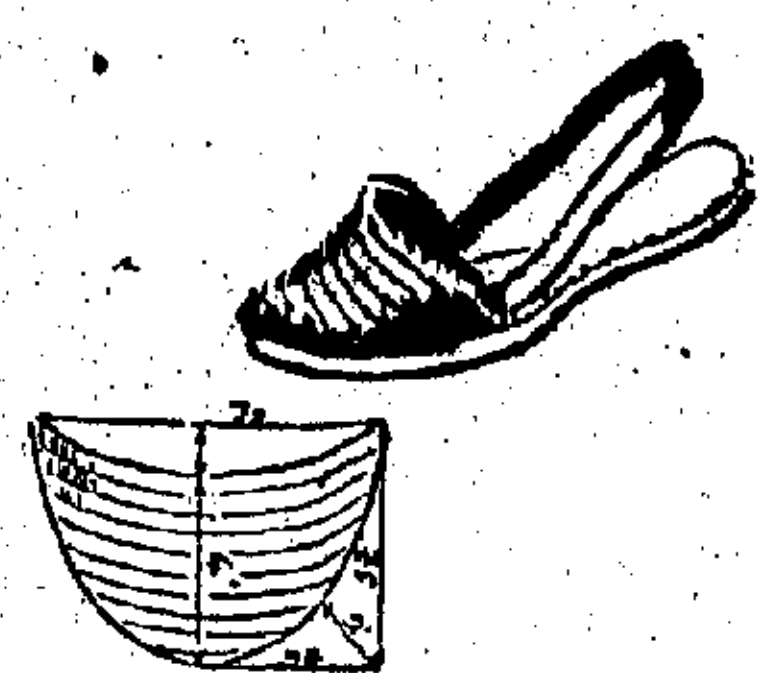
Now place 3 strands of the plain
wool, if it is fairly thick (or 4
strands if it is only two or three
ply) together and with the an-
gora wool crochet over the strands
in double crochet. The strands
of plain wool will act as a pad-
ding and also make the crochet
quite firm.

Make your first row of crochet
5 in. long (this will allow for the
curve) cut through your strands
of wool at the end of the row,
leaving about 1 in. showing at
each end, but do not cut your an-
gora wool off.

Now begin the next row, still
crocheting over the strands of
wool, but slightly decreasing the
length of the row at each end.

Continue in this way, keeping to
the measurements of the dia-
gram and gradually decreasing
each row until the toe is reached.

Then machine stitch twice, all
round the edge, keeping as close
as possible to the crochet, and



neatly trim off the "fringe" of
wool strands.

Stitch to the sole with very
strong, fine thread, and then cro-
chet the strap for the heel, fol-
lowing the same method as for
the toe piece, making it as long
as you need it to keep the slipper
firmly on your foot.

Attach the strap at each side, as
shown, and you have a slipper fit
for a princess.

Don't Go Goosey



The skin of the arms should
be as smooth as cream.

It really does not pay you to
let it get out of condition. And
then—and more important—goose-
flesh is not a healthy state for the
skin to be. It often shows, too,
that the system is out of order.

Gooseflesh is caused, roughly
speaking, by water in the fat, by
faulty circulation, incorrect diet
or by clothing which irritates the
skin. And, as it's difficult to be
sure which of these is your par-
ticular difficulty, better be on the
safe side and check up on all of
them.

Cut Out Pastry

Beginning at our usual starting
point—diet—it is an excellent
plan to take every day about a
pint of water in which a sub-
stance has been boiled in addition
to the usual amount of fluid drunk.
Pastry must be cut right out,
and in general all foods likely to
ferment quickly.

This means reducing your meat
consumption.
Fish is one of the best things
you can take, and just to demon-
strate how busy our manufactur-
ers have been thinking out new
weaves to help our export trade,
too.

At this show a variety of wool-
lens was featured, just to demon-
strate how busy our manufactur-
ers have been thinking out new
weaves to help our export trade,
too.

These Welsh flannels are going
to be worn a great deal.

Another colour feast was given
by a hand-knitted frock. Its de-
sign was of diagonal inch-wide
stripes in red, white, blue and
brown, and was carried out in
garter stitch. Such an attractive
little frock it was, with its pret-
tily full cross-over bodice and
plain skirt.

I very much liked some tailor-
ed angora frocks in vivid tartans
worn over self-coloured blouses.
They were not the usual type of
pinpoint frock, but very fitted,
with a small square cut-out at
the neckline to show the top of
the blouse, which in almost every
case had short puffed sleeves. You
can work out very clever colour

Use Spare Moments

Whenever you have a spare
moment sprinkle the arms with
a good talcum powder, then
gently rub them with a velvet
pad, as if you were polishing a
shoe.

But never, never scrub them
with a rough towel.

IN THE KITCHEN

Let's begin by making two re-
solutions.

(1) To avoid waste of any
kind, and

(2) To make the very best use
of foods which are plentiful,
learning how to serve them in
attractive ways.

Scald all surplus pieces of raw
fat cut from joints and use them
for cooking. Cut down your fry-
ing, never fry food when it is
possible to cook it in other ways.

Among plentiful foods are oat-
meal, carrots and potatoes. You
can make good use of all three.
Have you ever, for instance, tried

Carrot Croquettes

They are specially good with
cold meat. Boil them as usual
mash them, season with pepper
and salt. Make a white sauce
with flour, margarine and milk,
add to it the carrots, some chop-
ped parsley, and enough flour to
stiffen it. Spread on a plate to
cool, then divide into portions and
roll in the floured hands. Fry
until golden brown.

All the flavour and goodness of
carrots will be preserved if, in-
stead of being boiled in a quantity
of water, they are put through a
mincer and cooked in a casserole
in the oven with just a table-
spoonful of hot water and a little
dripping.

Oatmeal Cookies

Try these cookies for a tasteful
dainty. Mix together 1/2 lb. oat-
meal and 1/2 lb. flour. Rub in
2oz. margarine or dripping, and
add a pinch of mixed spice, two
tablespoonfuls of brown or white
sugar (if you can spare it), a
pinch of salt and a teaspoonful
bicarbonate of soda.

Mix to a paste with water, roll
out rather thinly, cut into rounds,
spread half the rounds with chop-
ped sultanas, figs or dates, and
press the other rounds on top.
Bake in a quick oven until brown.

Potatoes

Mashed potatoes are a great
help in preparing "made" dishes
of various sorts such as rissoles,
fish cakes and shepherd's pie.

With the addition of milk, but-
ter and a seasoning of pepper and
salt, they can be substituted for
a pastry crust on meat pies or
puddings, or turned into potato
cakes.

THE COLOUR TOUCH



At a dress show of suits and
tailored frocks made from Brit-
ish light-weight woollens, I was
much impressed by all the clever
"accents" given to "quiet" shades.

Girls will be able to get very
good colour touches into their
outfits this autumn if they choose
their schemes wisely.

At this show a variety of wool-
lens was featured, just to demon-
strate how busy our manufactur-
ers have been thinking out new
weaves to help our export trade,
too.

Smartest little suit shown was
at the same time the simplest. It
was in grey Welsh flannel with a
fine pin stripe of palest blue. Jacket
was close-fitting and hip
length and with it was worn a
pale blue knitted pullover. The
mannequin's woollen socks worn
over her fine stockings were in
the same blue and a blue hand-
kerchief was tucked in her breast
pocket.

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can work out very clever colour

touches by using contrasting pip-
ing to trim a plain garment.
Black is seldom worn unrelieved
by some touch of gay colour
in the day-time now, and the lit-
tle house-jacket you see in the
sketch is in fine black woollen
piped with bright red.

Here is a fashion point to bear
in mind when choosing your new
tailored frock. There is a vast distinc-
tion between what are known as
house and sports jackets and suit
jackets. The latter are nearly al-
ways hip length, while the house
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1.02 p.m.—Piano and Organ Duets by Patricia Rossborough and Robinson Cleaver.

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1.15 p.m.—Negro Spirituals.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Compositions of Beethoven.

2.30 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

7.15 p.m.—J. H. Squire Celeste Octet and John McCormack (Tenor).

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—Debussy—Nocturnes.

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WORDS FAIL

Masks And Faces

THERE cannot be the slightest doubt that the modern vice par excellence is the misuse of words. We live in an age in which some mild political event is used to be described as a "bomb-shell" and the explosion of a bomb is now politely termed an "incident." Speaking with some experience both of politics and air-raids, I am in a position to assert that either description is profoundly misleading; and it is hardly to be wondered at that, when our terms are so conspicuously inexact, clear thinking is a rare accomplishment.

Modern politics and commerce have both suffered from these verbal excesses, in which truth is constantly postponed to Salesmanship. Even the austere science of geography has been exposed to the misrepresentations of contemporary Salesmanship. For when Italy in the first exuberance of her endeavour to behave like a Great Power, picked a particularly mean quarrel with the Turks thirty years ago and appropriated the derelict (and largely desert) Turkish province of Tripoli, it was felt that Tripoli would somehow form a public contrast to the decadent and more impressive Roman name of Libya. So in due course it became Libya. But though the change of name was duly registered upon the maps, Tripoli was still Tripoli and the desert continued to be desert. For things are what they are and not what somebody may choose to call them.

That plain reflection is suggested by the announcement that Croatia has "joined the Axis." Could there be a more conspicuous distortion of reality? In the first place, it is highly disputable whether anything "in the nature of an Axis" can be said to exist in Europe. For the essence of an Axis is that it should unite two substantial objects. In its origins the Axis used to be described as the "Bismarck-Lloyd George" axis, and no where is Rome to-day? With a German garrison in Sicily and on the Gestapo hard at work restoring his tracks.

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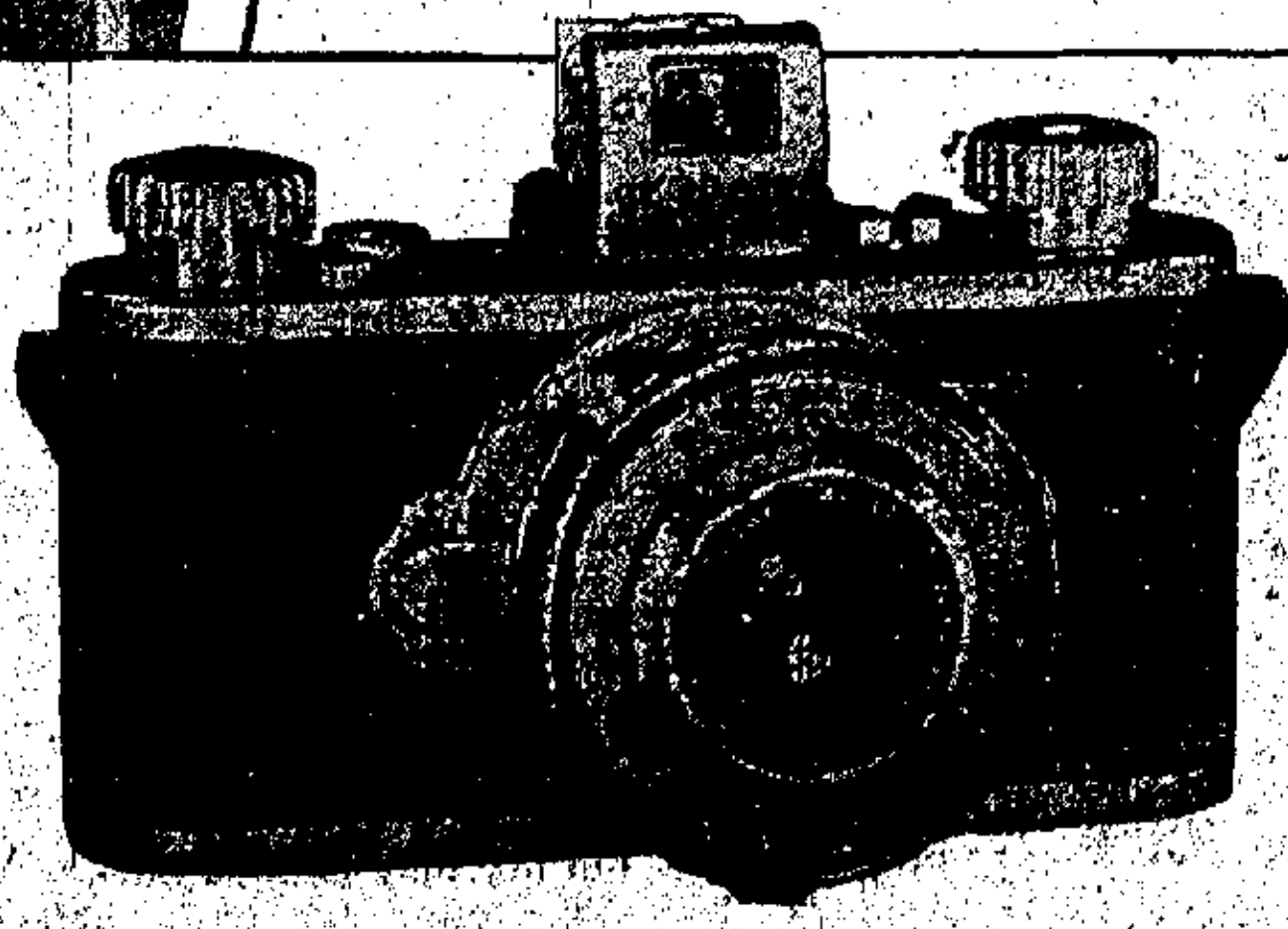
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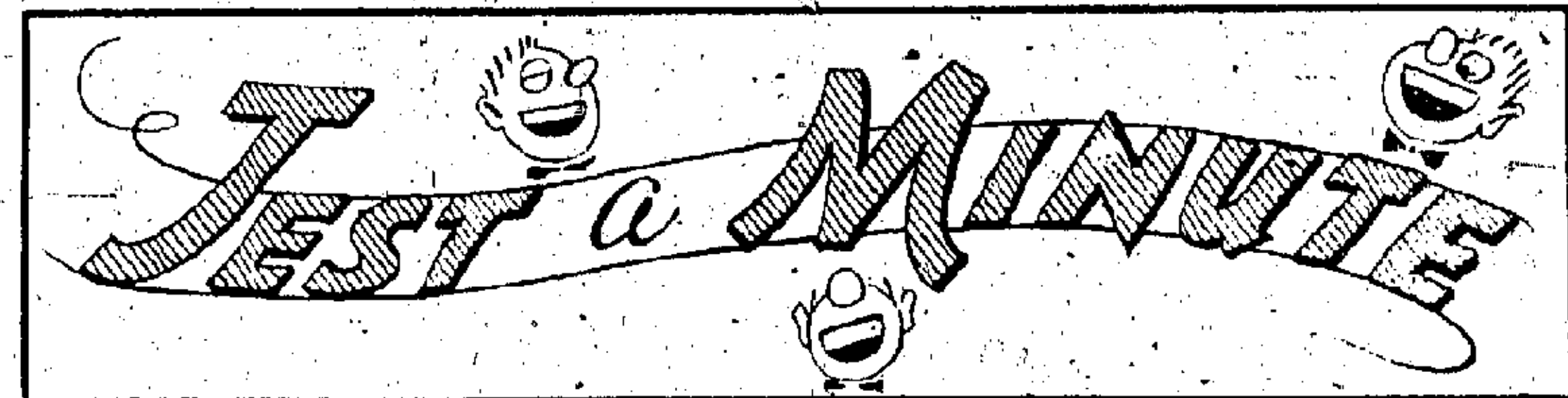
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"I had to marry you to find out how stupid you were."

"You ought to have known that when I asked you."

SCRATCHED

Teacher: "You say your father is kind to animals, Tommy? What animals?"

Tommy: "Yes, Miss. He often says he'd like to kill the man that scratches horses."

NOT THE SAME

"And how did you find the bath-salts, madam?" asked the chemist.

"Well, they taste very nice," said the shopper, "but I don't think they have the same effect as a real bath."

TELLING MOTHER NATURE

A landowner with more knowledge of investments than of farming bought a large sheep farm in Scotland. In time he sent instructions to his bailiff to speed-up shearing operations. The bailiff telegraphed: "Ewes lambing, must postpone shearing." and received a reply stating: "Stop lambing, proceed with shearing."

STRICTLY BUSINESS

"Daddy," said the small son of a business man, "what is this business morality? I hear people talk about it."

"Well, my boy," was the reply, "if a man comes into your shop, and pays a ten-shilling bill, and as he is leaving you find that he has given you by mistake the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash, the question is, should you tell your partner?"

THE DEMON RUM

A man who had been celebrating unwisely but well came upon a workman digging a hole.

"Digging a tunnel," he asked, the workman, affably.

"Where's it going?" said the jolly one.

"Under the river."

"And how long will it take?"

"About three or four years."

"Well," said the persistent one, "I can't wait all that time. I'll take a taxi."

UNUSUAL

Walter Winchell tells about the agent who got a call at four o'clock one day.

The temperance was furious. "What's the idea waking me up at this hour?" he demanded. "I just arrived from England, where I played before the King and the Queen, and I need immediate representation."

The agent was awake by this time, and he didn't want to pass up a good thing. "What do you do for a living?" he asked.

"I talk," was the reply. "You talk?" screamed the agent. "You call me up at 4 o'clock in the morning to tell me that you talk? Well, what is so unusual about that?"

"What's so unusual about it?" was the answer. "I'm a dog!"

BRIDGE NOTES

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: The saddest words of tongue or pen are these: It might have been! At times you 100 per cent bridge agent is completely committed to the above sentiment after a slam is mangled in one suit only to be revealed as an obvious spread in another. It hardly helps the situation when it also is found that, although in the wrong suit, the slam still will have been brought home with careful play. I append the tragic hand in question for your expert autopsy:

"North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

S-A 10 6 5

H-A J 9 8 6 2

D-A 7 5

C-None

WEST

S-10 4 3

H-10 9 8 7

D-K 6 4

C-A J 8 6 3

EAST

S-7 3

H-Q 7

D-J 10 9 3 2

C-10 9 5 4

SOUTH

S-K 8 4 2

H-K 9

D-K 7 2

C-K Q 7 2

The bidding:

North East South West

1 heart Pass 1 spade Pass

3 hearts Pass 4 clubs Pass

4 hearts Pass 5 hearts Pass

6 hearts Pass Pass Pass

"On this contract the diamond three was quite incorrectly opened, and had North played his eighth trump dummy, all would have been well. Instead he hopped up with his queen, then had to spend his ace on West's K-boy. North then led to the dummy's heart king, and led back to his own hand with the heart ace, thus losing the heart jack with disastrous results, losing all told, the heart queen and two diamonds. My claim is that my partner [North] fumbled the ball in the bidding, or we might have reached six spades which spread and [North] in the unwieldy six heart contract proper play would have brought home the bacon. I maintain that North should have given

prompt support to my one-over one spade by bidding three spades instead of three hearts to show a strong native in his spade support. Failing this response, North still might have rescued the situation by calling five hearts bid. I maintain that my five heart bid, given after the slam bid and rebid his heart suit so strongly, promised only secondary support, whereas North was in position to know that the partnership had fairly solid spades. I feel that his void in the club suit should have dictated a bold bid to that club ruffs could be taken in dummy where they would do the partnership the most good.

"Partner contends that he had to rebid his six card heart suit before showing spade support and felt that my five heart bid showed a preference for that suit over my own spades.

"As regards the play, I thought his failure to wrap up the slam inexcusable. What is your most pontifical judgment, and let the inventive fall where it may.

"V. J. N., Boston."

I heartily agree that North deserves a big black mark for his failure to select spades instead of hearts as the final contract, but I am completely bewildered by South's assertion that the correct bid should have been made. Surely North could not be expected to divine that East had made such an amazing underlead of the jack, ten, and nine of diamonds—hence the play of the diamond queen was unequivocally correct. Then, again, South's assertion that the attempted finesse certainly could be criticised, inasmuch as the finesse was the percentage play. To repeat, North's final bid was terrible, but his play cannot fairly be criticised. Incidentally, North's correct second bid was not three hearts, for even three spades, but a stronger bid in the right direction, namely, four

GETTING CLOSE

Wife: "What makes you think we are getting near a big city, dear?"

Motorist (doing 70) - "We're hitting more people."

"TIME

Rounder: "We're getting home awfully late last night this morning."

Rounder: "This all right. We'll sleep until this evening tomorrow!"

OFFERING

1st: "She treats her husband like a Grecian god."

2nd: "How's that?"

1st: "She places a burnt offering before him at every meal."

THE DIFFERENCE

Man: "What's the difference between the blueplate special and the whiteplate special?"

Waiter: "The whiteplate special is five cents extra."

Man: "Is the food better on the whiteplate special?"

Waiter: "No, but we have to wash them."

UNLOADING

Boy: "And now, doctor, that I've told you I am going to marry Anne, there's one thing I want to get off my chest."

Doctor: "You just tell me about it, my boy."

Boy: "A tattooed heart with the name Mabel on it."

UNSEEN

By the way, have you heard how H. G. Wells' "Invisible Man" married an invisible woman, and they had an invisible son? For a long time they did not know what to do with him. Then the problem was solved. They put him in the Italian Navy.

UPS AND DOWNS

He was a lift-boy in one of the big stores and hailed to be asked needless questions.

One day a fussy old lady entered the lift.

"Don't you ever feel sick, going up and down in this lift all day?" she asked.

"Yes, ma'am," said the boy.

"Is it the motion going up?"

"No, ma'am."

"Is it the motion going down?"

"No, ma'am."

"Is it the stopping that does it?"

"No, ma'am."

"Then what is it?"

"Answering questions, ma'am."

"PRESS"

This is a Fleet Street story of a famous editor who had just died. His guardian angel showed him the way to Heaven, and was in the act of leading him in when St. Peter interferred. "Profession!" inquired the Saint, "Journalist?"

"No room for you!" said the angel, "there's nothing for it but the other place."

"What do you do on earth?" inquired Saint.

"I worked on the news-papers," "No place for you, I'm sorry."

The devil closed his wicked. So the journalist set up an office on an abandoned planet and started a paper. Within a month he had three Passes admitting him to both places!

HISTORY

Modern warfare has become so efficient that, if it passes over an area on Monday, the archaeologists can begin digging on Saturday!

PRINTER'S DEVIL

It is proposed to use this donation to purchase new benches for our park as the present ones are in a very dilapidated state. News item, Arizona paper.

INHERITED

"Isn't this antique furniture gorgeous?" I wonder where Mrs. Batts got that huge old chest?"

"Well, they tell me her old lady was the same way."

HORSEY

"How do you know your wife was horsey around while you were away?"

"Well, I came in unexpected and found a couple of stray mules under her bed!"

TOO YOUNG

The new member of the harbour board was attending his first meeting. The board was discussing a proposal to place two buoys at the entrance to the harbour for the guidance of mariners.

"I beg to propose an amendment," said the new member, "that one man should be placed there instead of two boys, as the latter are too young for such a responsible position."

A MESSAGE FROM ST. DUNSTAN'S

At St. Dunstan's Headquarters in London a gift of Two Hundred and Eighty-six Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Five Pence has just been received through the Honorary Treasurer of the Hong Kong Branch of the British War Organisation Fund.

This handsome sum is the result of money contributed to the War Fund, but specially earmarked for St. Dunstan's and Captain Sir Ian Fraser, C.B.E., M.P., would like to express his very grateful thanks for the sympathy and interest in the new war bladders, which has prompted these donations.

Sir Ian Fraser, the Chairman of St. Dunstan's, says that the work with the new men is going ahead well. Fresh cases are constantly coming to Hospital and a number of civil air casualties from recent air raids are also undergoing treatment. During the last month a house for officers has been opened close to the main building and a number of young officers are now in residence who have started training.

As St. Dunstan's has always been ready to meet fresh demands, the extent of which it is impossible to tell, it is hoped to open additional hospital and nurses quarters at an early date. Probably St. Dunstan's blends in Hong Kong already know that with the severe air raids over the South Coast, the beautiful Hospital—built only a short time before the outbreak of War—had to be temporarily abandoned. Now St. Dunstan's carries on its work in the Shropshire Hills, renting additional accommodation for the Hospital and Training Centre as the work increases.

A few weeks ago the services of one of St. Dunstan's first blind masseurs—who has built up a most successful West End of London practice—were secured in order to instruct trainees.

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V.R.C. & LAI TSUN SELECT TEAMS FOR GALA ON 12TH

Many Champions On View: Hutchinson Absentee Lawrence Down To Swim Against Chan Chun-Nam

IN THE LIMELIGHT, NO. 75

A.R. DALLAH HELD 20-10 LEAD IN OPEN SINGLES FINAL AND THEN LOST

A. R. DALLAH, who skipped the I.R.C. rink responsible for the surprising defeat of the League champions on a heavy green at Recreo last Saturday, first showed interest in lawn bowls in 1930, but did not actually take an active part in the game until 1933, when Indian Recreation Club first entered the League. Since that year he has secured Interport honours, reached the Final of the Colony Singles and Rinks Championships and won the I.R.C. singles championship twice.

HAVING spent all his life in Hong Kong, Dallah played football regularly until 1927, when he was forced to give up all sport due to a leg injury. In 1930 he became mildly interested in bowls as the result of friendship with A. E. S. Alves, who is still playing for Craigengower, and, under the competent guidance of that player, he soon made progress, although he had no opportunity of testing his prowess in matches due to the fact I.R.C. had not then taken to the game. In 1933, how-



RECREIO TENNIS TOURNEY

This year's tennis tournament at Club de Recreo has not attracted the same number of entries as previous years owing to volunteer training and the difficulty of players getting time for practice.

Following are the First Round draws:

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.
A. V. Remedios v. A. M. Remedios;
C. A. Barreto v. J. J. Remedios; J. H. Goncalves v. M. A. Oliveira and W. A. Reed v. B. T. Gouveia.

MEN'S DOUBLES
H. A. Noronha and F. J. Remedios v. H. A. Barreto and C. A. Barreto;
J. B. Remedios and J. Remedios v. M. A. Oliveira and W. A. Reed.

MEN'S SINGLES JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.
H. A. Noronha v. F. V. Ribeiro;
R. M. Soares v. H. A. Ribeiro; M. A. Gutierrez v. J. C. Fonseca; G. M. Brito v. J. M. Oliveira.
Bye into Second Round—C. d'Almeida and P. P. Bedillo.

LADIES' SINGLES
Mrs. H. A. Noronha v. Miss E. Rocha;
Miss I. Pereira v. Miss O. Botelho;
Mrs. W. A. Lawrence v. Miss M. Piqueiro;
Mrs. J. E. Noronha v. Mrs. L. A. Carvalho;
Mrs. A. M. Rodrigues v. Mrs. A. Carneiro;
Miss M. Silva v. Miss M. G. Alves.

Bye into Second Round—Miss M. Ribeiro and Miss A. Rosa.

ELSLEY WINS SKINNER CUP

The annual tennis tournament for the "Skinner Cup", open to men of Royal Engineers here, has just been brought to a conclusion. Spr. Elsley beating Spr. Denyer, well-known cricket all-rounder, in straight sets, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4, in the final.

To wind up their tennis season, Sappers have arranged a "closing day" for next Sunday, when a friendly tennis match has been arranged between Officers and Other Ranks.

At the conclusion of this encounter prizes won during the year will be presented.

UNPLAYED LEAGUE TENNIS GAMES

Club secretaries are requested to arrange for the playing off of postponed games in the different divisions of the Lawn Tennis League.

If no progress is made the Committee will then have to draw up a revised fixture list at the completion of the fixtures.

WEEK'S TENNIS

Following are the week's Tennis League fixtures:

TOMORROW
First Division—C.C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.; H.K.U.T.C. v. I.R.C.; S.C.A.A. v. K.C.C.

TUESDAY
Second Division—Postponed games to be mutually arranged.

WEDNESDAY
Third Division—I.R.C. v. C.D.R.; K.E.C.A. v. A.T.C.; C.R.C. (2) v. K.E.C.A.; S.C.A.A. v. C.R.C. (1); C.C.C. v. H.K.U.T.C.

THURSDAY
Fourth Division—P.O.R.C. (2) v. A.T.C.; C.C.C. v. P.O.R.C. (1); S.C.A.A. v. I.R.C.; C.R.C. v. C.B.A.; K.I.C.A. v. I.R.C.

W. Lawrence, former Colony swimming champion, has started training at V.R.C. in preparation for the gala against Lai Tsun next month.

ever, I.R.C. entered the League and Dallah was No. 3 to A. M. W. Bradbury, who was in the Division. As might have been expected, they experienced a poor season, finishing up in possession of the wooden spoon, but in the following year Dallah was made captain of the side and so well did he lead them, that they were promoted to the first time and so well did they profit from their lessons in the previous season, that they won the Second Division title and with it promotion to First Division, in which they played until 1937, when they were demoted and secured promotion in the same year. Dallah, who has always played in I.R.C.'s first team and who has captained them twice, is now as keen on winning a First or Second Division title as he is in winning the Colony Singles Championship, he was once only one shot short of winning.

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CHAMPIONS, PAST CHAMPIONS AND COMING CHAMPIONS WILL BE SEEN IN ACTION ON SATURDAY, JULY 12, WHEN VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB ENTERTAIN LAI TSUN SWIMMING UNION IN WHAT PROMISES TO BE ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING SWIMMING EVENTS OF THE SEASON.

Though the event is still some distance off both clubs are getting in as much practice as possible, and both have already nominated their probable swimmers.

Chan Chun-nam, last year's record-breaker, will be seen in the 100 yards free-style and 440 yards free-style events.

In the first event W. Lawrence, who did not compete in the Championships last year, may be swimming against Chan, while in the latter event Charles Huang will be pitted against him. It will be interesting to see the improvement Huang has made since his last appearance in the Championships against Chan over this distance.

Several ladies' events have been included in the programme, and these should make the gala very much more interesting. Miss V. Churn, holder of the 50 Yards free-style title, will be seen in action with Miss J. Anderson, while Lai Tsun will be represented by Miss Lily Sadick, lady back-stroke champion. Miss Ko Mui-ling will also be competing in this event.

A 220 Yards breast-stroke event for Men has been included in the programme for the first time, and it is understood that this event will be included in the forthcoming Colony Championships.

New Open Event

The last event of the evening, a 800 Yards free-style Relay, four men over 200 yards each—is also a new item on the programme, though it will probably not be included in the Championships.

NATIONAL RECORD BETTERED

The first swimming gala of Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union at Laichikok last night was featured by the excellent performance of Lai Tsun Ladies' relay team, who clipped 9 seconds off the Chinese National record for the 200 Yards free-style relay, covering the distance in 2 minutes 30 seconds.

Union beat Middlesex in a water-polo match at the conclusion of the gala by 9 goals to 2, after leading at the interval by 4 goals to 1.

Following are the results:—
50 Metres free-style (Open to the Press):—1. Lo Chui-hing; 2. The Tins; 3. Mok Kam-nam. Time: 15 secs.
50 Yards free-style Y.M.C.A. Members' 50 Yards Aggregate Handicap: 25 Yards Back-stroke; 25 Yards Obstacle Race; 150 Yards Free-style Relay (teams of six, 25 yards each). Y.M.C.A. Members' 120 Yards Free-style Handicap: 50 Yards Obstacle Race; 200 Yards Free-style Relay (Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force, Army Officers, Combined Hong Kong and Volunteers).
Price of admission will be \$1.50, including tax, and the proceeds will be in aid of the Bomber Fund and Y.M.C.A.

A. N. S. & V. A. D. PROGRAMME

At the European Y.M.C.A. pool on July 12, the following will comprise the A.N.S. and V.A.D. programme, with "V" events interspersed:—
50 Yards Free-style; Y.M.C.A. Members' 50 Yards Aggregate Handicap: 25 Yards Back-stroke; 25 Yards Obstacle Race; 150 Yards Free-style Relay (teams of six, 25 yards each). Y.M.C.A. Members' 120 Yards Free-style Handicap: 50 Yards Obstacle Race; 200 Yards Free-style Relay (Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force, Army Officers, Combined Hong Kong and Volunteers).
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Lai Tsun, who have an advantage over V.R.C. in that they have wider selection in both sections, will be holding heats at the beginning of the month. It is somewhat unfortunate for V.R.C. that there is a gala at European Y.M.C.A. on the same date as the otherwise they would have the services of the Colony champion, D. Hutchinson.

As a capacity crowd is expected for this fête there will be advance bookings at Anderson's shortly.

Price of admission for reserved seats is \$1.20, including tax, and unreserved seats will be 60 cents.

Probable Teams

Following is the programme and the probable teams:—

Ladies' 150 Yards Medley Relay:—V.R.C.—Miss C. Gutierrez or Miss J. Lopez (back), Miss V. Churn (breast) and Miss J. Anderson (free-style).
Lai Tsun—Miss Lily Sadick and Miss Tsang Fung-kwan (back), Miss Ko Mui-ling or Miss Chang Olin (free-style) and Miss Lo Pok-kan (breast).

Men's 220 Yards breast-stroke:—V.R.C.—Luis M. Remedios and J. Marques.
Lai Tsun—To be chosen from: Fung Chung-yui, Yau Sak-kwan, Tam Sik-chuen and Poon Wing-king.

Men's 100 Yards free-style:—V.R.C.—W. Lawrence and C. Silva-Netto.
Lai Tsun—Chan Chun-nam, Tsang Cheong-ming and Lau Tai-ping.

Boys' 75 Yards Medley:—V.R.C.—C. Huang and L. Rozapereira or C. Silva-Netto or W. Lawrence.
Lai Tsun—Chan Chun-nam, Yau Sak-kwan and Lau Tai-ping.

Ladies' 50 Yards breast-stroke:—V.R.C.—Miss V. Churn and Miss V. Noronha or Miss Y. Yolie or Miss D. Weir.
Lai Tsun—Miss Ko Mui-ling, Miss Chang Olin and Miss Lo Pok-kan.

Men's 100 Yards back-stroke:—V.R.C.—A. K. Rumjahn and W. Lawrence.
Lai Tsun—Lau Yiu-king and Poon Wing-king.

Ladies' 100 Yards breast-stroke:—V.R.C.—Miss C. Gutierrez and Miss I. Lopes.
Lai Tsun—Miss Lily Sadick and Miss Tsang Fung-kwan.

Diving Exhibition.
Ladies' 50 Yards free-style:—V.R.C.—Miss V. Churn and Miss J. Anderson.
Lai Tsun—Miss Lily Sadick, Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Ko Mui-ling and Chang Olin.

Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay:—V.R.C.—A. K. Rumjahn (back), L. M. Remedios (breast) and D. H. Taylor (free).
Lai Tsun—Lau Tai-ping or Poon Wing-king (back), Fong Chung-yui or Tsang Chung-ming (breast), Kam Hok-ping or Tsang Cheong-wing (free).

Ladies' 200 Yards free-style:—V.R.C.—To be chosen from Miss V. Churn, Miss J. Anderson, Miss C. Gutierrez, Miss D. Weir, and Miss I. Lopes.
Lai Tsun—To be chosen from Miss Lily Sadick, Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Ko Mui-ling, Miss Chang Olin and Miss Lo Pok-kan.

Men's 800 Yards free-style:—V.R.C.—Charles Huang, W. Lawrence, C. Silva-Netto and L. Rozapereira.
Lai Tsun—Chan Chun-nam, Yau Sak-kwan, Lau Tai-ping, Poon Wing-king and Tsang Cheong-wing.

GOVT. DEPT. GALA

A Government Inter-Departmental Swimming gala in aid of the B.M.O.P. will take place at European Y.M.C.A. on Monday, June 30, at 8 p.m.
Police, P.W.D. and Prisons; Revenue, C.S.O. and Harbour; Urban Council, Medical and Education; and C.S.O. Small Units will be taking part.

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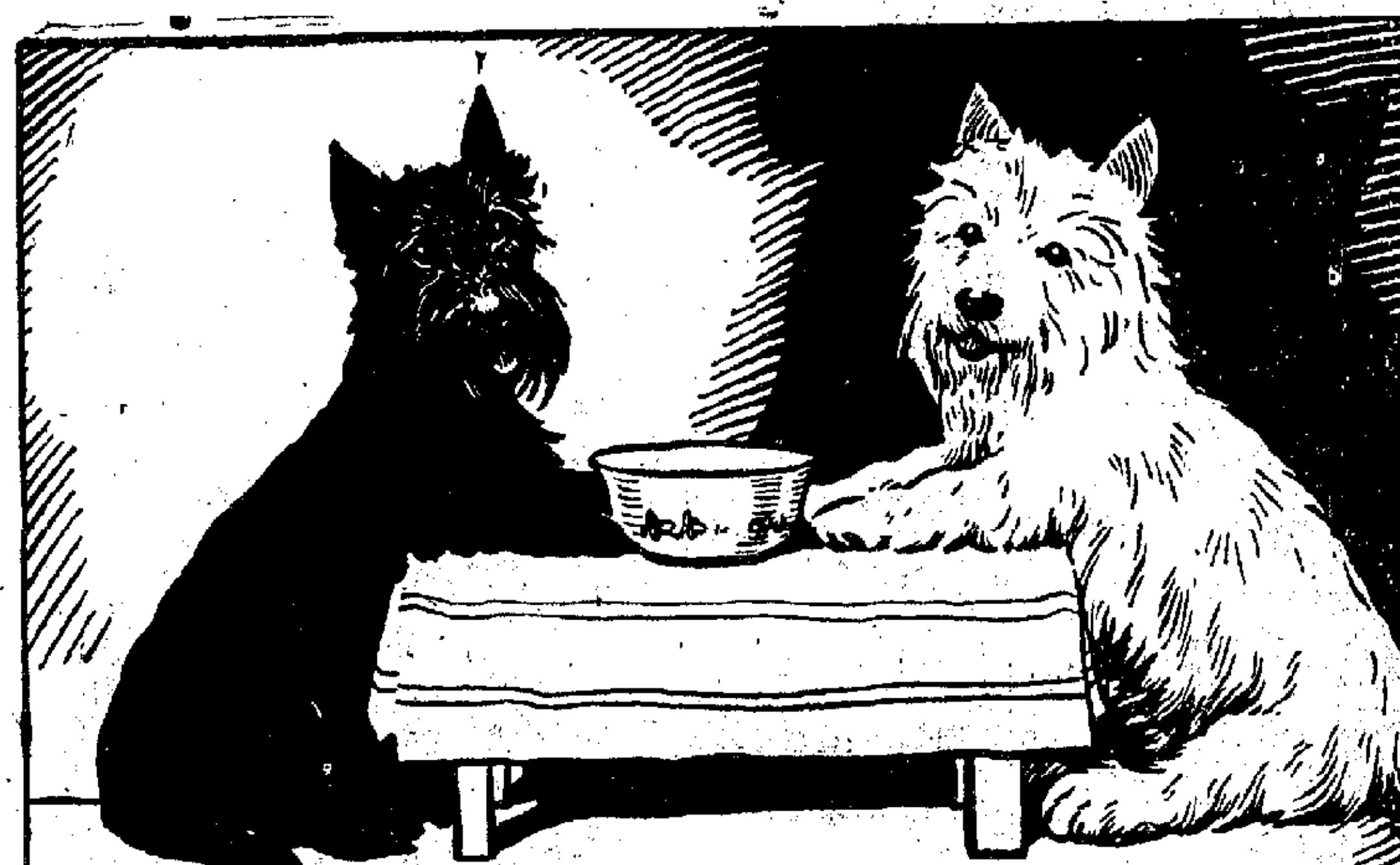
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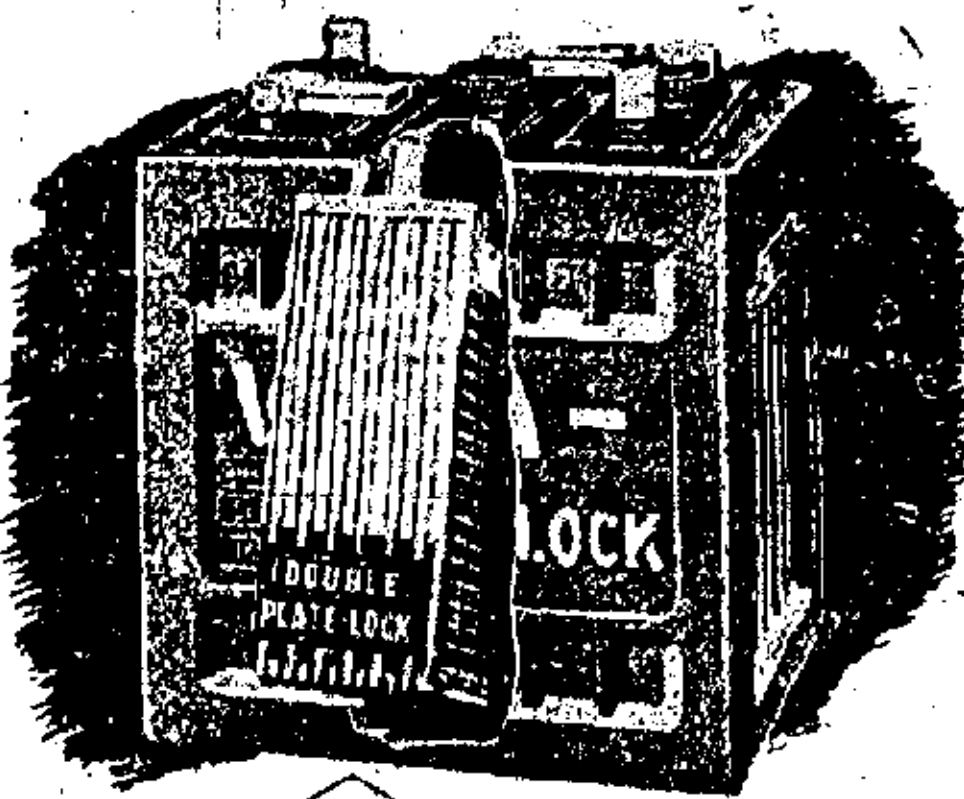


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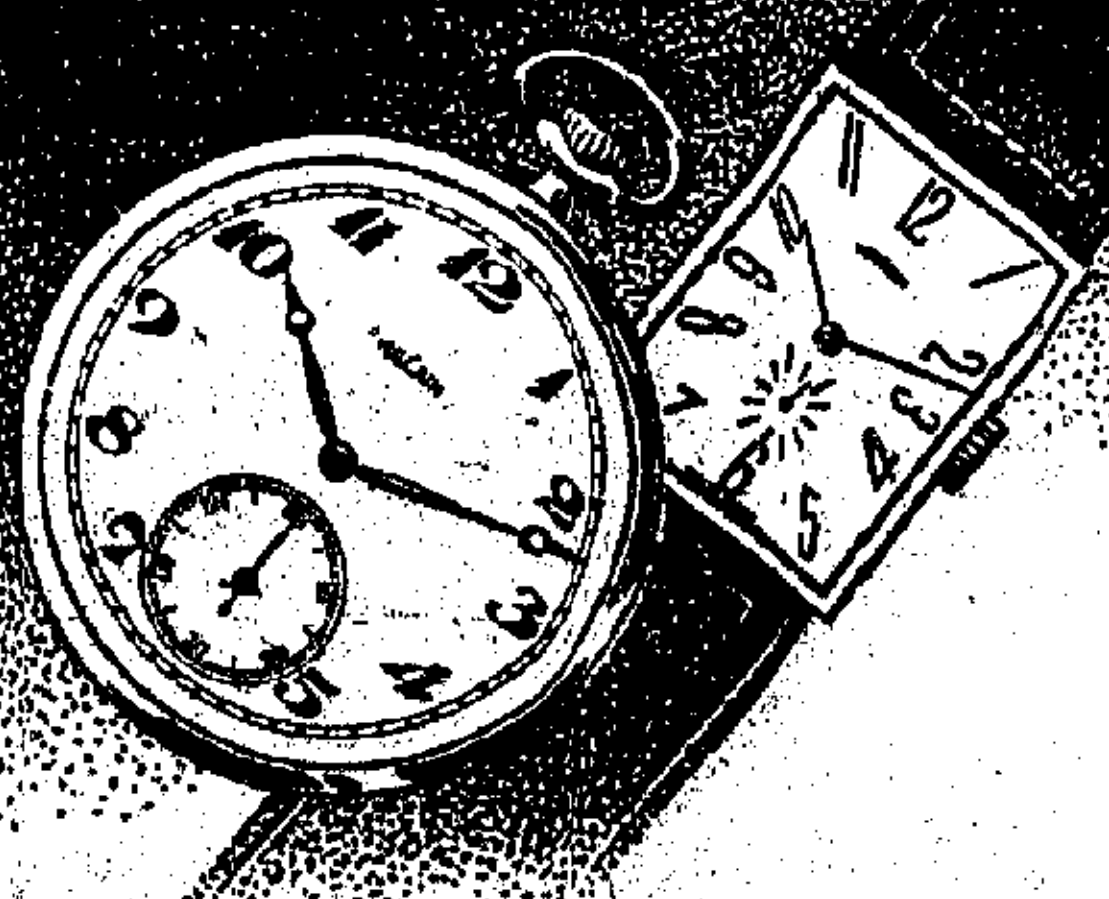
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DICK TURPIN SHOT

Dick Turpin, 1937 Australian subscription griffin owned by Mr. A. H. Potts, sustained a broken leg last Sunday when it fell on the steamer on its way to the Macao Race Meeting, and though it was at first hoped the injury would respond to treatment at Fanling, it was decided last Thursday to destroy the animal.

Known for its partiality for a heavy track, Dick Turpin won \$2,975 in stakes money during its career here, and in addition to some good performances at Happy Valley, it had also won distinction as a steeplechaser at Fanling. Dick Turpin won its first race at the Valley on March 13, 1937 when it came in first in the Randwick Plate, at the First Extra Meeting, with Mr. W. H. S. Davis up. The same combination won the Cabramatta Handicap at the Sixth Extra Meeting on May 20, 1937. Two successes at Fanling were scored by this pony. On November 20, 1939, with Mr. W. G. Poy up, it won the Hobart Handicap and on March 17, 1940 it won the Kwai Cup, but a successful jockey this time being Mr. S. L. Yuen.

Followers of racing in Hong Kong will sympathize with Mr. Potts in his bad luck, for it will be recalled that he had to destroy following an accident on the first day of the Easter Meeting this year, when the pony, ridden by Mr. G. W. Cooper, fell during the running of the Taiwan Bay Handicap.

Ponies Sent To Fanling

Eight ponies, under the care of Indian trainer M. A. Khan, formerly of the Mounted Troop, H.K.V.C., have been sent to Fanling for summer grazing. They will be kept there till August, when they will return to the Valley to commence training for the second half of the 1941 racing season. The ponies concerned are:

Australian: Jungle Love; Swallow; Chateaugay; Rocky Beach and Glorious Star.
China: Eve of Paradise, Sunlight View; Dow Jones.

INTER-SCHOOL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The inter-school Basketball League, under the auspices of Chinese Y.M.C.A., is drawing to a close and all matches will have to be played off before the mid-Summer holidays start in the middle of next month.

Pui Ying College, who have two teams in the First Division, have not met with defeat yet and their two teams will meet in the last game of the season.

The two leading teams in Second Division—Hon Wah Middle School and Wah Wah Middle School—who are still unbeaten, meet each other tomorrow and the winners will probably carry off the championship.

Following are the results of First Division games played yesterday:

Pui Ying (White)	beat	Sze Sz
Pui Ying (Green)	beat	South
Nam Wah	beat	South
Sze Sz	beat	South
Hon Wah	beat	South
Ping Ching	beat	South
Pui Ching	beat	South
Ming Sang	beat	South
Ling Tung	beat	South
Y.M.C.A. Commercial	beat	South
Wah Nam	beat	South
Hing Chung	beat	South
Hong Tai Middle	beat	South
Ying Wah	beat	South

League Standings

Following are the League tables to date:

FIRST DIVISION				
	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Pui Ying (White)	10	10	0	20
Pui Ying (Green)	10	10	0	20
Nam Wah	11	8	3	16
Sze Sz	11	8	3	16
Hon Wah	9	7	2	14
Ping Ching	10	6	4	12
Pui Ching	11	5	6	10
Ming Sang	8	4	6	8
Ling Tung	9	3	6	6
Y.M.C.A. Commercial	10	3	7	6
Wah Nam	9	2	7	4
Hing Chung	10	1	9	2
Hong Tai Middle	10	1	9	2
Ying Wah	10	0	10	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Hon Wah	7	7	0	14
Hing Wah	7	7	0	14
Carlton University	7	5	2	10
D. B. S.	7	3	4	6
Ling Tung	7	3	4	6
Yuet Tse	8	3	5	6
Hong Kong	6	2	4	4
Ying Wah	6	2	4	4
Tai Chung	6	0	6	0

S. CHINA DUE BACK MID JULY

If the South China football team do not go to Rangoon they are expected back in the Colony about the middle of next month.

Hong Kong Football Club are contemplating entering two teams in Football League in spite of the difficulties of fulfilling their engagements last season.

Harold Winglee, one of the few South China A.A. swimmers who refused to join the Sports Club, is now devoting much of his time to coaching and encouraging youngsters and newcomers in the hope that they will be able to hold their own in inter-collegiate games.

EASTERN WIN 9-1 AT ADELAIDE



M. N. Rakusen, one of the leading snooker players in the Colony, who will be seen in a charity snooker exhibition match against A. P. Pereira next Friday at Club de Recreio, Champions of Kowloon Cricket Club for many years and first hon. secretary and later president of the new dormant Hong Kong Billiards Association, he is the present Colony bowls champion.

MINDANAO ARE TO-DAY'S FAVOURITES

By "Grandstand"

THE MERRY-MAKING MINDANAO MAKE MAULERS STAGE THEIR DOG-FIGHT WITH THE ASHEVILLE ACES THIS MORNING AT 10 A.M. IN AN ALL-NAVY CLASSIC THAT SHOULD THRILL THE USUAL BASEBALL THROG.

The undefeated League-leading Minnies have the edge to come out of this scrap at the long end of the score, to chalk up a three straight winning streak.

Low "Bad News" Powlowski and Tony Mascavage will form the battery for the Minnies, while Charlie Sawyer will be chucking them in to Langford for the no less mighty "A's."

Powlowski, the Potent Polack, who has had the local lads swinging around with his dizzy curves, should be able to hold down the Asheville men, whilst their "murderers" row" of Henry, Raul, Powlowski and Tony Mascavage should be able to manufacture these few runs to give them victory.

Probable Line-Ups

Line-up for the Mindanaos will be Henry "Crooner" Raul, M. Wilson, "Greasy" Moore and Son Bowersox, guarding the base-paths, whilst Willie Kennard and Groneck will be the widows.

Asheville mentor Goff, holding down the initial bat, will probably field Halah, "Dusky" Rhoades and DiGiacomo, who combine the infield quartet, whilst Lefty Crum, "Bonoblu" Lee and "Porky" Brood will be the fly-chasing trio.

Arbitrator for this tilt will be Grand-Lo Leung, Chuck Waggoner and Nip Lum.

Owing to the sodden state of the ground both baseball games to be played yesterday, were postponed.

FOX OUT OF BASEBALL FOR A TIME

Royal Engineers will be without the services of T. H. J. ("Honorable Tom") Fox in their League baseball matches during the next few weeks.

Tom, who has been broken by the index finger of his left hand in the course of a practice at Wellington Barracks during the week.

Sappers will, however, be introducing a new player in the person of F. Jones, packing plenty of speed. Jones is regarded as a "better than average" pitcher. He has been carefully nursed for the past few weeks, and it has at last been decided that he is fit for mound duties. He will figure in his first serious match when Sappers oppose the formidable R.B. aggregation.

It is understood that Royal Navy are considering entering only one team in the Football League this coming season.

C.R.C. LADY TENNIS PLAYER TO COACH AT H.K. UNIVERSITY

LADY UNDERGRADUATES at University, and also those who have graduated, will be interested to learn that arrangements are in hand for Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, well-known C.R.C. lady tennis player, to coach them at tennis at Pokfulam.

It is learned that a number of those who have just taken their degrees at the recent Congress, are keen to maintain their interest in the sporting activities at University and the Misses Rajara Abdul-Curreen, one of the best all-round sportswomen, turned out by University in recent years, Ueng Khoo and May Chow will make it a point to return to Pokfulam on "class days" to take lessons from Mrs. Chiu.

Others who have signified their intention to take advantage of this chance to improve their game are the Misses Sophie Patuchinsky, Ada Sufian, Fatima Mohideen and Latifa Gibow. The last named, who reached the Final of the University badminton mixed doubles tourney last

Winter, is at present in Malaya but will be returning to the Colony in time for the University reopening and will then join this tennis class.

In 1934 Mrs. Chiu, with Miss R. Rungjahn as her partner, reached the Final of the Open Ladies' Doubles Championship, losing to Mrs. J. P. Kyall and Mrs. M. Parkes. In 1934 she paired up with Miss R. Perry and won the title from Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. W. E. B. Bowling, who conceded a walk-over. In 1937 and 1938 she won the Open Ladies' Doubles with Miss R. Perry and Mrs. Williams respectively, and from 1939 to 1937 was runner-up with H. D. Rungjahn in the Open Mixed Doubles.

Lieut. F. W. Carver, captain of Navy's Rugby XV, has left the Colony, while Sgt. Mandel of R.A.F. will also be missed in the Navy pack.

FOURTH WIN IN SUCCESSION

EASTERN FOOTBALL TEAM, WHO ARE AT PRESENT TOURING AUSTRALIA, SCORED ANOTHER BIG WIN YESTERDAY WHEN THEY BEAT SOUTH AUSTRALIA AT ADELAIDE BY 9 GOALS TO 1.—REUTER.

After losing their first game to New South Wales Eastern won their next four games, and have now scored 31 goals as against 15 by their opponents.

Following are the results to date:

lost to New South Wales	1-4
beat a Sydney South Coast team	4-2
beat Granville	7-4
beat Victoria	7-2
beat S. Australia	9-1

RUSH FOR TICKETS FOR EXHIBITION

Special arrangements are being made at Club de Recreio for the charity exhibition Billiards and Snooker matches on Friday next in aid of the B.W.C.F.

The billiards table, which has been overhauled and re-covered, has been removed to the centre of the main hall, thus providing greater seating accommodation.

Booking of reserved seats has been most satisfactory and the majority have already been sold.

The participants in these exhibition matches are A. J. Osmond and E. Bush at billiards and A. P. Pereira and M. N. Rakusen at Snooker.

C. Torran will also give an exhibition of trick shots. Tickets, obtainable at all clubs, are \$2.00 and \$1.00.

Y.M.C.A. BILLIARDS

The Y.M.C.A. Billiards Championship is gradually drawing to a close. L. Sykes and S. Kemp will meet in the Semi-Final, and the winner will encounter C. T. Champelevier in the Final.

LOW'S BILLIARDS SUCCESS

George Low won the St. Patrick Club billiards handicap competition when he beat G. Santos by 30 points.

Sapper Boxing Revival?

IT IS LEARNED FROM A RELIABLE SOURCE THAT SPR. SPENCER (WELTERWEIGHT) AND SPR. MURPHY (FEATHERWEIGHT), WHO WON THEIR RESPECTIVE BOUTS AS NOVICES IN THE AREA BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS TWO YEARS AGO, BUT WHO HAVE NOT DONE ANY COMPETITIVE BOXING SINCE, ARE TRYING TO REVIVE INTEREST IN BOXING AMONG ROYAL ENGINEERS.

THOUGH BOTH WERE EXTREMELY KEEN ON BOXING, THEY COULD NOT MAINTAIN THEIR INTEREST AS MOST OF THEIR COLLEAGUES WERE TOO INTERESTED IN OTHER FORMS OF SPORT, AND THEY THEMSELVES BECAME MORE OR LESS INFECTED WITH THE INDIFFERENCE TOWARDS BOXING.

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GERMAN RECORD SMASHED

A WORLD'S RECORD FOR THROWING THE DISCUS WAS SET YESTERDAY AT PALOALTO, CALIFORNIA, BY ARCHIE HARRIS, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA NEGRO, WHO REACHED A DISTANCE OF 174 FEET 3 1/2 INCHES, WHICH IS 6 1/2 INCHES BETTER THAN THE PREVIOUS RECORD, THROWN BY SCHROEDER, A GERMAN, IN 1935.—REUTER.

BRITISH TENNIS LOSS

The death was announced yesterday of Mrs. L. R. C. Michell, formerly Miss Peggy Saunders, well-known Wimbledon tennis player, who played a great deal of tennis abroad.—REUTER.

The United States at Wimbledon, Miss Saunders, with Miss E. H. Harvey as her partner, won her doubles match against Miss E. Cross and Miss H. Scott, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.

The following year, at Forest Hills, when Great Britain lost 4-3, Mrs. Michell and Mrs. Watson beat Miss H. Scott and Miss E. Cross, 6-4, 6-1, 6-1.

When Great Britain won the Wimbledon Cup series by 4 matches to 3 against the United States at Wimbledon in 1923, Miss Saunders, with Miss E. H. Harvey as her partner, won her doubles match against Miss E. Cross and Miss H. Scott, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.

S. AFRICA WINS KING GEORGE AWARD

National Rifle Association have announced the results of the shooting throughout the British Empire for the King George V trophy in connection with the Imperial Challenge Shield competitions for the past year.

Over 15,000 boys completed South Africa entering 1,057. Great Britain, 2,336, Canada 1,889 and India 130, the last-named including girls.

South Africa won the trophy with an average of 81.446 out of a possible 100.

South Africa won 42 silver and bronze medals, Canada 28 and India 8.

India won the Junior Imperial Challenge shield for the best large junior unit in the Empire through the Lawrence Memorial Royal Military School at Dovedale, who averaged 82.086.

Trinity College School Cadet Corps from Port Hope, Ontario, Canada, were second for Earl Jellicoe's sword for the best large senior unit, which was won by the South African detachment with an average of 85.05. Trinity College averaged 83.91.

Eleventh Success

The results were laid before the King, who was particularly interested to note that South Africa's youths had won the trophy for the 11th time since it was presented by the late King Emperor in 1923 and asked that his congratulations be conveyed to the winners.

His Majesty also expressed the hope that the other Dominions and Great Britain would take a fuller part in the competitions when conditions permit.

Since the competition was inaugurated in 1910 over 620,000 boys and girls have taken part.—REUTER.

YACHTING RESULTS

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's 5th Summer Series races, over 5.35 miles yesterday resulted as follows:

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La Linda (P. D. A. Childs)	1 13
Gull (G. Schjelderup)	2 11
True Blue (J. Garner)	3 9
Joan (J. P. Dittie-Simonsen)	4 7
Artemis (G. G. Wood)	5 6
April (H. W. Browne)	6 5

If ever V.R.C. have to compete against University they will be without the services of Charles Huang, as he will be swimming for the Varsity while he is studying there.

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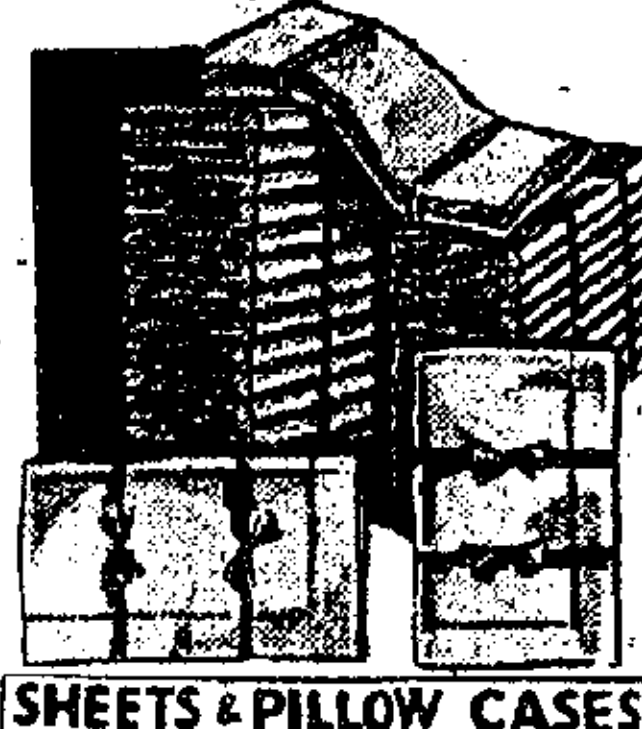
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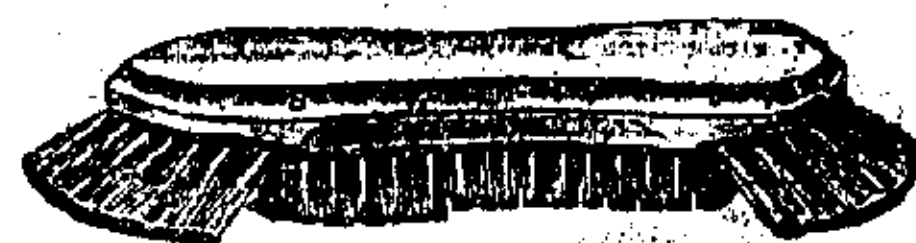
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IN FRONT OF FINAL DAMASCUS LINE

Steady Advance On Beirut Continuing

Vichy Forces Put Up Stubborn Resistance

HAVING REACHED THE "LAST LAP OF THE ADVANCE" AND NOW FACING THE FINAL DEFENCES OF DAMASCUS, THE BRITISH AND ALLIED FORCES ARE MEETING CONSIDERABLY MORE OPPOSITION THAN ON THURSDAY, THE MILITARY SPOKESMAN AT JERUSALEM HEADQUARTERS STATED ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

In the coastal sector the Allied forces are also nearing the last line of Beirut's defences north of Wadi Zoni.

Around Merdj Ayoun the British hold a line about a kilometre north-west of this village while the Vichy forces have gone deeper into the semi-circle formed by the British lines, but the situation is obscure.

Fierce hand-to-hand fighting is taking place in the houses and streets of Eddida, in the Merdj Ayoun district, between Australians and Vichy French, declared an authoritative radio commentator broadcasting from Jerusalem.

He added that each held half the town and were contesting total possession.

The stiffening of French resistance, he said, was the result of the Allied advance contacting the main French defences of Syria and Lebanon.

The Vichy forces were striking out for all they were worth as the advance approached the two capitals of Beirut and Damascus.

It is learned in London that British troops captured Moudaia, seven miles south-west of Damascus, on Friday.

The Free French successfully held a Vichy French counter-attack in the Jebel Kelt area.

Fort Surrounded

On the British right flank the British bombed Fort Suweida, where the Vichy French garrison is reported to be surrounded by Druses who are friendly to the British.

In Libya, a sandstorm was blowing at Tobruk on June 19 and 20 and there was little activity, it has also been quiet in the frontier area.

The enemy in Jimma, Abyssinia, appears to be burning his petrol and motor transport vehicles.

All Along The Line

Fighting continues all along the front in Syria, said yesterday's Cairo communique.

In the coastal sector further progress has been made, said South of Damascus counter-attacks by Vichy troops have been repulsed and the Allied forces are making headway.

In the central area there is little change in the situation although Vichy resistance is being gradually worn down.

Vichy yesterday admitted what it called "enemy infiltration" south of Damascus.

Indians Advance

A war correspondent in Syria writes that the Indian brigade advancing on Damascus is making splendid progress despite very strong resistance from Algerian troops and Moroccan sharpshooters who were well supported by heavy artillery.

They have reached the village of Mezza, on the outskirts of the city, and are maintaining their advance while reinforcements, including Australians, are coming up the main road which is not entirely free of Vichy forces.

A Free French attack at dawn on the Damascus road failed to lead to any progress.

Free French Losses

Attempt by Vichy forces to advance against the Allied strongly held positions, both sides of the road were, however, checked. The battle was short but Free French losses were heavy.

Lighter encounters continued throughout the morning with no resultant change in the positions.

On the coastal sector activity was restricted to patrols.

The Vichy French were operating with strong patrols, some motorized, to the north of Sidon, while at Mezzine,

artillery was in action all day.

There are indications that at Mezzine the Vichy forces will launch the next offensive.

Australians have gained a foothold in the town of Merdj Ayoun.

Apart from those of the Free French, our casualties were slight.

British Wireless.

DOWNING STREET DENIAL

A STATEMENT APPEARING IN A LONDON MORNING NEWSPAPER, THAT GENERAL MACNAUGHTON, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE CANADIAN FORCES IN ENGLAND, MIGHT ENTER THE WAR CABINET AS MINISTER OF DEFENCE WAS FLATLY DENIED IN AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT ISSUED YESTERDAY.

There is no truth in the report, it says, or in the report that any change in the structure of the War Cabinet or in the office of the Minister of Defence is contemplated.

MASS BREEDING JAPAN'S IDEA OF MILLENIUM

HUMAN MASS production is planned on a colossal scale by the Japanese Planning Council and the Ministry of Welfare, according to an article appearing in "Great Britain and the East" yesterday.

In an endeavour to force the population from the present figure of nearly 73 million to 100 million by 1960, girls in high schools are to be taught the "national mission of motherhood" and all rights of the individual are to be sacrificed for a "world outlook based upon family and race."

The basis and background of the whole scheme are political, the intention being to produce a population sufficient to demand vital "Lebensraum," says the writer, George Donovan.

Everything is beautifully worked out. The authors of the plan say "Since agricultural districts are a source of supply of the best troops and labourers, a fixed proportion of the population will be retained in Japan proper and 30 per cent. will be engaged in agriculture throughout Japan, Manchuria and China."

What? No Labour

Camps

Other schemes to force up the population include private societies and public bodies to act as marriage agencies, marriage loans, a drastic reduction in the cost of the Japanese wedding ceremony, higher taxes on bachelors, additional family allowances, abolition of contraceptives and, most important, advancing the average marriage age from 23 to 20.

The article concludes by pointing out, however, that the natural population increase is rapidly decreasing. In 1937 there was a rise of nearly a million, but in 1939 the increase was only 653,100.

In other words, Japan's "population pressure" is not really as intense as it was, as is "quite natural with thousands of her young men called away from their homes to fight the Chinese instead of raising families."

ITALIANS LEAVE TO WORK IN REICH

The third group of Italian workers to leave for Germany this week was seen off yesterday at Leghorn by the authorities, says the Italian official news agency.

They are to work in factories and shipbuilding yards.

VENGEANCE ON TEMPLE GODS

VILLAGERS IN MANGAPET, IN THE RAMNAD DISTRICT OF INDIA, WREAKED A STRANGE VENGEANCE ON THE TEMPLE GODS WHEN THEY DESTROYED THE TEMPLE, PULLED OUT THE IDOLS OF THE GOD CHADAYAPPA, SWAMI AND THE GODDESS KATYAVIAMBAL AND LEFT THEM IN THE BED OF THE RIVER VAIGAI.

The villagers nursed a superstition that the village had had a series of misfortunes ever since the installation of the idols in the village 15 years ago.

The idol Chadayappaswami, victim of the villagers' wrath, is one of the biggest in the district, being nearly eight feet high.

Reuter.

FEW BOMBS ON BRITAIN

A FEW BOMBS WERE DROPPED ON FRIDAY NIGHT AT POINTS IN ENGLAND AND AT ONE PLACE IN SCOTLAND. THERE WAS NO SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE.

Yesterday morning British fighters chased an enemy plane at a great height over a north-eastern town. No bombs were dropped and the rider fled.

FREAK ACCIDENT

Sitting on a rock near the three-mile post in Faipo Road yesterday, a 30-year-old Chinese woman was killed by a large tree which fell across her and fractured her skull. The body was found by the police and removed to the mortuary.



Thousands of British and Imperial troops evacuated Greece, and have arrived back after fighting an historical rearguard action. The troops were in very good spirit as can be seen from the photograph. (Copyright, Fox.)

Raschid Ali's Sell-Out

The terms to which Raschid Ali agreed in return for German cooperation were revealed in Baghdad yesterday.

They were formulated by Dr. Grobba, former German Minister in Baghdad, who visited Iraq in the middle of May at the height of the Raschid Ali insurrection.

As the price of assistance the Germans demand:

FIRSTLY, IRAQ'S ENTIRE STOCK OF PETROLEUM WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

SECONDLY, A STRIP OF LAND ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RAILWAY 20 KILOMETRES WIDE.

These terms were accepted by Raschid Ali and his colleagues. The Germans also demanded complete control of aerodromes and barracks, with full authority over the Iraqi army.

CHINA FINANCE TALKS

THE THIRD PLENARY SESSION OF THE NATIONAL FINANCIAL CONFERENCE WAS HELD IN CHUNGKING YESTERDAY WITH 27 DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE.

MR. A. MANUEL, FOX, AMERICAN MEMBER OF THE CURRENCY STABILISATION FUND BOARD, WAS PRESENT AND IN A SPEECH, INDICATED THAT AMERICA IS TAKING ACTIVE STEPS TO AID CHINA.

Resolutions passed covered reform of the local taxation system, improvement in measures for the examination of goods in transit, relief of goods shortage in the war areas, institution of a tax on the enhanced value of land, examination of effective measures to check the rise of food prices, and the adoption of measures for training a competent financial personnel.

In regard to the proposals on Land Tax and Food, a special examination committee has been appointed, composed of Messrs. Chen Chi-sai, Yen Chia-chin, Kan Chi-yung, Chu Ping, Huang Tung, and Oung Wen-yung.

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MR. YOSHIZAWA BANQUETTED

MR. YOSHIZAWA, CHIEF JAPANESE DELEGATE TO THE ECONOMIC TALKS IN BATAVIA, WAS GUEST AT A FAREWELL BANQUET ON FRIDAY NIGHT GIVEN BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Mr. Yoshizawa is scheduled to sail for Japan on June 27 on board the liner Nishio Maru following the discontinuation of the talks due to the wide divergence in views between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies.

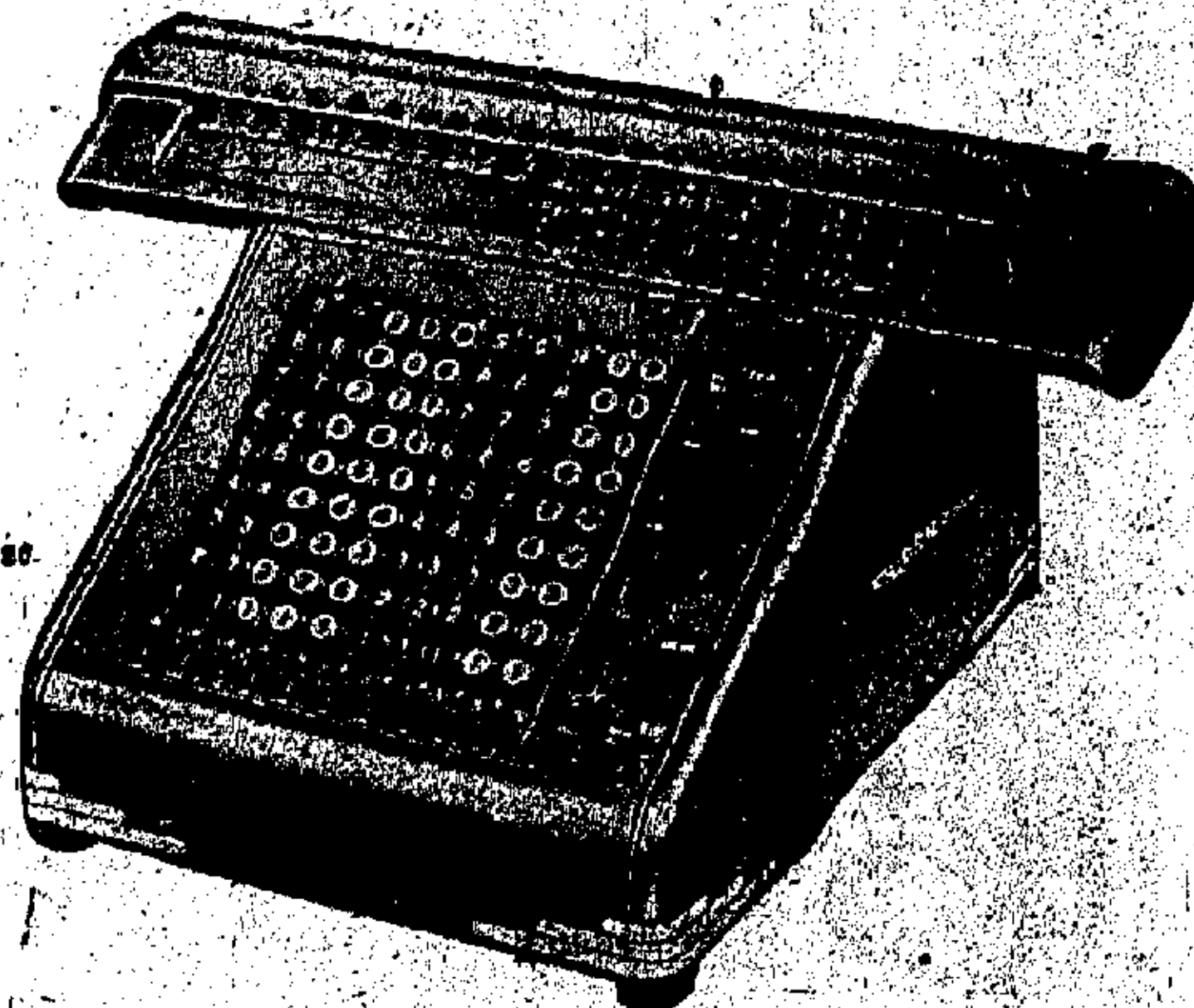
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